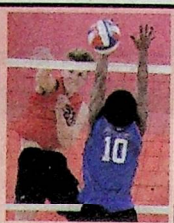




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CONGRATULATIONS, SERGEANT - Quincy Police Chief Mark Kennedy (left) shakes hands with Sgt. John (Jay) Grazioso after he was sworn in to his new rank at a promotion ceremony April 8 in the Great Hall of the James R. McIntyre Government Center (old City Hall). More coverage on Page 35.

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City Working With Friends On Ruth Gordon Amphitheater Plans

By SCOTT JACKSON

The Department of Natural Resources is working with the Friends of Ruth Gordon Amphitheater to identify improvements to the outdoor venue, commissioner Dave Murphy said in a recent interview.

The Friends of Ruth Gordon Amphitheater was formed last year, after plans to potentially demolish the venue inside Merrymount Park first surfaced. The group was later able to work with city officials to organize Friends' Fridays - a series of events held at the amphitheater over the summer - after Mayor Thomas Koch announced the venue would not be demolished.

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GRANITE MARKER at the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater in Merrymount Park. This year the outdoor entertainment venue marks its 40th anniversary. Ruth Gordon, the late Academy-Award winning actress who hailed from Quincy, attended the dedication that was held in November of 1984.

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By 4-2 Vote, Lunar New Year Will Not Be A School Holiday

By SCOTT JACKSON

The School Committee has approved a calendar for the 2024-25 academic year that will keep schools open on Lunar New Year, despite a push from parents and community members make it a school holiday.

The committee on April 10 voted 4-2 to approve the calendar for the 2024-25 school year that does not include Lunar New Year as a day on which schools will be closed. Committee members Paul Bregoli, Douglas

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Learning Center On Pace For Summer Opening

By SCOTT JACKSON

School administrators are optimistic the district will receive permission from the state to open the Dr. Rick DeCristofaro Learning Center in time to offer programs in the building over the summer, with classes beginning there in the fall.

The School Committee on April 10 received an update on the new school from Dr. Erin Perkins, the dis-

trict's assistant superintendent, Julie Graham, the director of special education, and Jennifer Leary, the special education coordinator.

"This is a project that we are extremely excited about and proud to be a part of and we thank the mayor and the School Committee," Perkins said. "We're just so thankful that we have this opportunity, we have this space, and

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THE SUN IS 93 percent covered by the moon at the height of the April 8th solar eclipse as seen from the Crane Library's solar eclipse party. Story on Page 6.

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Manet Health To Honor Quincy CDBG Program June 6

The Manet Community Health Center (Manet) Board of Directors voted unanimously to present its highest honor -- the Manet Medallion -- to the City of Quincy Community De-

velopment Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the City of Taunton School Committee. The award will be presented at Manet's June Bloom fundraising event on Thursday, June 6, from 6 to

9 p.m. at the Shields Science Center Pettit Atrium at Stonehill College in Easton, MA.

"The selection of Manet Medallion honorees is an endeavor taken very seriously

and contemplatively by the Board of Directors, and this year we were in the enviable position of having several meritorious candidates from which to choose," explains Board President Grace Murphy-McAuliffe. "Despite this, the Board came to an immediate unanimous decision based on the considerable benefits to our patients and communities that have resulted from our long-standing and meaningful partnerships with the City of Quincy CDBG Program and the City of Taunton School Committee. We look forward to recognizing their outstanding contributions at our June Bloom event on June 6."

The Manet Medallion has been presented by the Board periodically since 2005 to an individual or group living or working in a community served by the health center, who has/have significantly lifted, supported, championed or advanced the health center's dedication to providing accessible, high quality health care and supportive services and demonstrated consistent community goodwill and fellowship beyond the health center walls. It was last presented in 2022 to Manet's Pandemic Response Team Volunteers, a group of nearly 50 individuals who assisted with Manet's community COVID-19 vaccine clinics, helping the health center to vaccinate thousands of children, adults and seniors across its service areas.

"We are so pleased to offer our congratulations and profound gratitude to our

Manet Medallion honorees for their outstanding partnership and contributions, which have enabled Manet to expand and respond to the growing health care needs of the communities we exist to serve," says Cynthia Sierra, Manet Chief Executive Officer. "Partnership with the City of Quincy's CDBG program has spanned Manet's 45-year history, beginning with the founding support to open and incorporate Manet. Since then, the CDBG program has distributed funding for numerous health center projects, including the most recent construction of a Radiology Suite and lobby redesign at Manet's North Quincy location and renovation of Manet's Houghs Neck site.

"In late 2023, Manet was able to open the doors to its first school-based health center (Manet at TPS) at a premier location on campus with the Parker Middle School, Taunton High School and the Welcome Center of the Taunton Public Schools, thanks to the partnership and support of the Taunton School Committee, which directed a portion of its Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds to cover the majority of construction costs for Manet at TPS."

In addition to recognizing the Manet Medallion honorees, the June Bloom event celebrates Manet's 45th anniversary and is the health center's only major annual fundraiser. Proceeds help Manet continue to expand its programs and services and increase much

needed access to quality care for existing and new patients across our service areas. Thanks to the event planning committee: Grace Murphy-McAuliffe, Karen Ward, Philanthropy Committee Chair, Nancy Wyrebek, Dr. Eric Cohen, Phyllis Dohanian, Helen Fatseas, Alicia Gardner, Nancy Noble.

The June Bloom Honorary Committee includes representation from across Manet's service areas in Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth counties: Cong. Jake Auchincloss, Rep. Bruce Ayers, Jennifer Berardi-Constable, Rep. Tackey Chan, Wendell Cosgrove, Michael Curry, Esq., Mayor Cathleen DeSimone, Rep. Carol Doherty, Sen. Paul Feeney, Rep. Patricia Haddad, Rep. James Hawkins, David Kellem, Esq., Mayor Thomas P. Koch, Jimmy Liang, Robert & Julie Littlefield, Cong. Stephen Lynch, Rep. Ronald J. Mariano, Rep. Joan Meschino, Mayor Shaunna O'Connell, Sen. Patrick O'Connor and Rep. Adam Scanlon.

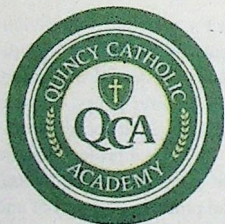
Special thanks to the sponsors, including Health Center Champion Sponsors: FoxRock and Bob Griffin & Roseann Russell; Community Hope Sponsors: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Griffin Maintenance Services, Inc. and the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers; and Health Care Advocate Sponsors: Mayor Tom Koch, Codman Square Health Center, Eastern Bank, Dr. Eric & Betsy Cohen, Highland Surgical Associates, South Boston Community Health Center, Karen Ward & Mark Sanner, Cynthia H. Sierra and Brown & Brown of Massachusetts.

Sponsorship opportunities are available and tickets are on sale now. Tickets are \$145 each or \$245 for a pair, and \$85 for seniors (65+). For more information and to view complete sponsor list to date please visit: www.manetchc.org/june-bloom.



QUINCY HIGH POETRY Club won first place at the Brookrhymes Slam Poetry competition hosted by the Brookline Slam Poetry Team at the Brookline Teen Center April 6. Quincy was represented by all three members of the club's executive board: Marah Neil, Vi Tran, and Sage Gillespie. Each poet performed one solo poem, and the team then performed a group poem. All poems were original and had to be performed from memory. Quincy's poets competed against very talented poets from Brookline High, Newton North High, and Westborough High. They were accompanied by their coach and club adviser Mr. James Ikeda, a history teacher at Quincy High School. Shown here from left to right: student poets Marah Neil, Vi Tran, Sage Gillespie and teacher James Ikeda.

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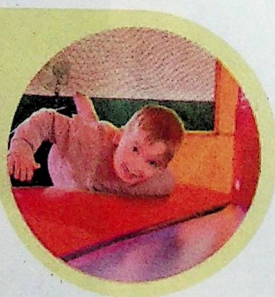
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Gutro, Kathryn Hubley and Emily Lebo voted in favor of the calendar. Mayor Thomas Koch, the committee's chairperson, and Courtney Perdios voted against it. Tina Cahill, the committee's vice chairperson, was not in attendance for the meeting.

Parents and other community members had called for schools to close on Lunar New Year, which will next be celebrated on Jan. 29, 2025. During the open forum portion of the April 10 meeting, five people spoke in favor of adding the holiday and the school board received 13 letters in support of it (one person sent two letters). Others had spoken in favor of adding the holiday at the March 20 committee meeting, and a similar effort to add the holiday was made last spring.

During the April 10 meeting, prior to the vote on the calendar for the upcoming school year, Perdios made a motion to amend it so that schools would be closed on Lunar New Year. Perdios said the only concerns she had heard about adding the holiday had come from her

colleagues on the committee.

"We had 45 minutes again earlier this meeting hearing from members of our community about why this is so important," Perdios said. "In the last two weeks since we've had this discussion, I have not had anyone reach out in opposition to adding Lunar New Year. The only concerns I have heard have been in this room by this committee. I have not heard anyone else articulate any concern that giving Lunar New Year off would alienate or devalue other cultures."

No one on the committee seconded Perdios' motion to amend the calendar. After Perdios had made her motion, Lebo made a motion to move the question — meaning to end discussion and vote on the calendar as proposed — which Hubley seconded.

Before the committee could vote on the motion to move the question, Koch reiterated his support for making Lunar New Year a school holiday, which he had voiced at the March 20 meeting. Koch said it took

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Archie Wahlberg Scholarship Foundation Applications Due April 22

The Archie Wahlberg Scholarship Foundation announces it will be awarding three \$1,000 scholarships this year. Scholarships will be awarded to one North Quincy graduate, one Quincy High School graduate and one City of Quincy Resident graduating from a private school, who demonstrate a commitment to public service and plans to continue this commitment after graduation.

"The scholarship is named after longtime Quincy resident, Archie Wahlberg, who dedicated his life to public service and was committed to improving the community," said Nancy DeLisle, Foundation Chair. "Archie's deeds inspired many to follow his lead, and our hope is to continue to inspire others to do the same."

Applications are due Monday, April 22nd and are available at the North Quincy High School and Quincy High School Guidance Offices or by contacting the Foundation at archiewahlbergscholarship@gmail.com.

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American Legion National Commander Visits Morrisette Post



MORRISSETTE AMERICAN LEGION Post #294 recently hosted a visit by American Legion National Commander Daniel Seehafer. From left to right are: Morrisette Post Commander George Bouchard, Past National Commander Paul Morin (2006), National Commander Seehafer, Past National Commander John (Jake) Comer (1988) and Sandra Davis, Commander, American Legion Department of Massachusetts for 2024. Commander Seehafer was elected national commander of The American Legion Aug. 31, 2023, in Charlotte, N.C. during the 104th national convention. An ordained minister from Wisconsin, Commander Seehafer earned his American Legion eligibility through service in the U.S. Navy and Reserve, where he served as a military chaplain. A member of American Legion Post 157 in Horicon, Wis., Seehafer served in a number of American Legion offices at every level, including national chaplain and commander of the Department of Wisconsin. Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth

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• On April 29, 2004, the World War II Memorial opened in Washington, D.C. The granite and bronze monument stands on 7.4 acres on the former site of the Rainbow Pool at the National Mall, between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial.

• On April 30, 1993, tennis player Monica Seles was stabbed between the shoulder blades by Gunter Parche during a match in Hamburg. Parche, a fan of German tennis star Steffi Graf, apparently hoped that by injuring Seles, his idol would be able to regain her No. 1 ranking.

• On May 1, 1963, Gloria Steinem published the first half of "A Bunny's Tale" in SHOW magazine, recounting her brief stint as a Bunny in Manhattan's Playboy Club. Steinem's undercover reporting revealed a culture of misogyny and exploitation behind the glamorous facade of Hugh Hefner's empire.

• On May 2, 1924, Patrick Mahon was arrested at London's Waterloo train station on suspicion of murder. He was executed later that year for killing his pregnant mistress, but an important innovation resulted from the crime scene: The officers, who had no gloves, were forced to handle the victim's remains with their bare hands. After the investigation, rubber gloves became standard equipment at murder scenes.

• On May 3, 1980, 13-year-old Cari Lightner of Fair Oaks, California, was walking to a church carnival when she was struck and killed by an out-of-control car driven by an intoxicated Clarence Busch. Her death led her mother, Candy Lightner, to found the organization Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), which would grow into one of the country's most influential nonprofit organizations.

• On May 4, 1776, Rhode Island, which was founded by the most radical religious dissenters from the Puritans of Massachusetts Bay Colony, became the first North American colony to renounce its allegiance to King George III. It would also be the last state to ratify the new American Constitution more than 14 years later.

• On May 5, 1816, the first published poem by John Keats, the sonnet "To Solitude", appeared in the London journal The Examiner. Keats' sadly brief but overall brilliant span of work includes "Ode on a Grecian Urn," "La Belle Dame Sans Merci" and "Ode to a Nightingale."

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Financial Focus: Younger Workers Must Balance Financial Priorities

If you're a younger worker just starting out in your career, you've got tremendous personal and professional opportunities ahead of you. But this is also when you will need to make some key decisions — especially about your financial priorities.

When considering your priorities, you may find it helpful to look at these three areas:

• **Paying off debts** — If you're like many young working people, one of your biggest debts may be your student loans — and paying these down is, by necessity, a priority, because falling behind on your student loan payments can lead to late fees and other problems. So, if you haven't done so already, you may want to enroll in autopay, which will help you stay current on your loan and possibly earn a rate reduction.

• **Saving for short-term goals** — At this stage of your life, you may be thinking about saving for at least one or two significant short-term goals, such as a wed-

ding or a down payment to a house — or perhaps both. Obviously, your ability to save for these goals will depend on your income, your current cost of living and your debt situation. But if a wedding or a new home is indeed a priority for you, you'll want to look at what's possible, in terms of putting money away. Since you know you'll need a certain amount of money at a given time, you may want to automatically move a set amount from your checking or savings account each month to a low-risk account whose principal is essentially protected. You might not earn a lot on such an account, but at the same time, you won't have to worry about a drop in value just when you need to take out the money.

• **Saving for retirement** — Even though you may just be at the beginning of your working life, it's not too soon to begin preparing for its conclusion. You could spend two, or even three, decades in an active retirement, so you will need to accumulate considerable

financial resources. Fortunately, here's an area in which you may be able to get some help, starting right away. If you work for a mid-size or large company, your employer may well offer a 401(k) or similar retirement plan. Your pre-tax salary deferral contributions are generally not taxable, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income. Plus, your earnings can grow on a tax-deferred basis. (If your employer offers a Roth 401(k), your contributions will be taxable, but withdrawals will be tax-free, provided you meet certain conditions.) These days, even many small employers often offer some type of retirement plan, so it's likely to your benefit to take full advantage of it by contributing as much as you can afford.

Prioritizing these long-term savings goals, and striving to meet them with the appropriate solutions, can certainly be challenging. But as a young worker, you have the greatest — and most irreplaceable — asset



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Legislative Update — State Sen. John Keenan

By Sen. JOHN KEENAN

Passing milestone legislation, criss-crossing the district, and celebrating Women's History Month in so many ways. Here's a look at some of our legislative priorities and ongoing focuses that my office was working on in March.

REVENGE PORN:

If you are reading this, you likely know about the Senate's recent passage of my legislation criminalizing revenge pornography. The bill passed unanimously, after having cleared the House in similar fashion earlier this session. A conference committee will soon work to reconcile the differences between the Senate and House bills. After both chambers approve this version, it will go to Gov. Maura Healey, who will decide whether to sign it into law.

So much of legislating is based on elected officials talking to another, but this legislation was moved by members of the general public taking an interest in policy and advocating for change. First-hand accounts from survivors inspired me to file this bill and to fight for its passage. A few incredibly brave constituents described their ordeals in horrific detail during media interviews and public hearings. I truly believe their work, courage, and eloquence got this legislation to this point.

Indeed, Massachusetts is one of the last states to criminalize revenge porn but we are now among the first to account for the criminal implications of using emerging technologies like artificial intelligence to generate and disseminate media like deepfakes.

I am proud of the work we have done and know we still have more to do.

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET:

Not only did we pass the revenge porn bill on March 21, but we also passed a supplemental budget.

The Senate version of the bill allocates \$75 million per month over the rest of the fiscal year to support migrants. Additionally, each family in shelter must receive an individualized rehousing plan while establishing eligibility for shelter after nine months.

In addition to immigration, the supplemental budget also permits municipalities to continue approving requests for expansion of outdoor restaurant service first allowed during the pandemic. Additionally, the bill allows students in their last semester of nursing education programs to begin working as nurses, as well as extending the ability of nurses employed by assisted living residences to provide skilled nursing care in accordance with valid medical orders, provided the nurse holds a valid license to provide such care.

DISTRICT STUFF:

Each March, Women's History Month gives us all a chance to reflect on our history and observe its connections to the present. We began this month with the unveiling of a new portrait of First Lady Abigail Adams outside the Senate Chamber. The image of one of Quincy's most notable residents is, admittedly, a familiar one, but to see her portrayed so prominently in the same space we pass laws in is quite notable. Adams is remembered frequently for urging her husband, President John Adams, to "not put such unlimited power into the hands of the Husbands." She implored him to "remember the ladies" when helping draft the Declaration of Independence, and her presence serves as a prescient reminder for modern-day lawmakers to ensure equity in all legislation.

Adams' words serve as the inspiration for Quincy's annual Remember the Ladies ceremony, which I attended again this year. The event commemorates Adams' life and philosophies, while also highlighting local leaders in government, business, and public service. This year's honorees included Southwest Middle School Principal Courtney Mitchell, Bay State Community Services CEO Daurice Cox, Assistant District Attorney Barbara Isola, Quincy Art Association member Linda Santoro, and Caryn's Corner owner Caryn Smith. Abigail would be so proud.

In March, I also had the unique honor of welcoming Fatima Maada Bio, First Lady of Sierra Leone, to Massachusetts during her recent U.S. visit. Sierra Leone and the City of Quincy have a somewhat surprising connection, as John Quincy Adams petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to free the enslaved Africans — many from Sierra Leone — who came to the United States aboard the slave ship *La Amistad*. While I discussed this important history briefly with the First Lady, we spent much more time discussing the many government initiatives she is leading to address gender-based violence, early marriage, and maternal mortality.

During the month I talked about the state budget with the Quincy Rotary Club, met with Braintree Mayor Erin Joyce along with Sen. Walter Timilty, appeared before the Rockland Select Board to discuss civil service matters, watched the Holbrook Middle High School robotics team — Bizarbots — compete one Saturday at Bridgewater State University, met with the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts, marched in the great Abington St. Patrick's Day parade, attended a Hanover Planning Board meeting where the MBTA Zoning law was discussed, met with the Secre-

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Scenes From Yesterday



THIS POSTCARD from the 1920s is a view looking east on Huckins Avenue in Squantum. On the left is the four-room Squantum grammar school built in 1921. The school opened with 100 students and four teachers. This street was named for Captain James Huckins, who bought almost 90 acres of land here in 1854 and built an estate on the hill near today's Bellevue Avenue. His

granddaughter, Lillie Titus, known as the grand lady of Squantum, later sold most of the property to land developers who laid out and sold almost 1,000 house lots in this part of Squantum in the beginning of the last century.

From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection

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Comments On City Honoring Massachusetts Tribe

When I read the article in this paper from the 3/21/24 edition titled "Statue to Honor Massachusetts Tribe" I was surprised, then pleased, and then disappointed. I took a beat, did some research, and have come up even more confused and ultimately furious at the city's handling of what could be a good idea. The article announces the fact that the city has (had) an open RFP for a monument to honor the area's tribal history.

In the article, Mr. Koch is undoubtedly doing "a good thing" by announcing an RFP released for a monument to be erected in honor of the "Three Sisters." The mayor cites a "partnership with the Ponkapoag band... we've been in talks for a few years now.... We agreed to do a monument with them." He goes on to say "that's what they would like to see." Great! With whom specifically? Any thought by the paper to check his sources, or better yet - get a quote from a representative of the Ponkapoag Band? The Mayor would look good if he could drop a name, but none given.

I appreciate the mayor's note that he hopes to incorporate the history of the tribe in QPS curriculum. Of course it should be! He also states that in addition to the monument the city plans to lease the building at squaw rock to the tribe. Follow up question; anyone sense any issue with the city leasing the building to the tribe? As far as I understand it that land is sacred, central, and a cornerstone to the Ponkapoag seat of leadership. Or was, of course, until, well.... AWKWARD! Anyway - that would be an interesting question for a journalist to pose to the mayor, amidst a softball piece about a new monument.

So I decided to look into the RFP, and see - maybe there is a rich due diligence the city has undergone, an inclusive and transparent committee made up of tribal representatives, with conversations taking place in public and a mind towards reconciliation, education, maybe even addressing what sounds like a lack of tribal content in the public school curriculum. So I read the RFP, which is now closed, and spoiler alert it, I am not impressed. (Note: the author of this LITE is an artist and commonly works in the RFP arena for public art, and has reasonable relevant experience).

The RFP is for a project with a budget of \$400-600k. The selection process is overviewed as "The City of Quincy shall determine the selected artist through a standard panel-based artist selection process." Later the RFP states "A selection panel will be established by the City of Quincy to review the submittals and select a shortlist." No mention of qualification of the panel, or the - what might seem obvious to some - inclusion of tribal representatives.

The formal process, once an artist is selected, is even more problematic. Stay with me here. Phase one of this 400-600k sum is for \$10-25k. The rest could go to a fabricator, at the city's option. No panel review needed. See what they are doing there? Calling out a RFP with the option to withhold the actual work of SCULPTING from an, ahem, sculptor is an insult to the artists and borderline nefarious. It allows the city to get the idea from the artist for a deal (steal), and then deal the bulk of the budget to whomever they choose, the "construction and installation costs" I wonder if there

are any close friends of the Koch administration that are interested in construction and installation?

Note, this is extremely atypical in an RFP/Q for artworks. It is most common for the artist to either fabricate or choose a fabricator for their work. Commonly artists work with fabricators, foundries, and the like to produce their works from molds or models. This relationship is often central to their process. Or they may even sculpt the work themselves.

Unfortunately, this may not even be the biggest failure of this effort. I wonder who is representing the tribal viewpoint, interests and aesthetics here? The RFP states, "The selected artist will work with the City and a designated design committee of the Massachusetts Tribe." Later it is named as the "City of Quincy and the Massachusetts Tribe at Ponkapoag Monument committee." Who is on that committee? Sounds inclusive, but where are the standards for representation stated in the RFP or anywhere related to this opportunity? I couldn't find anything. I would be very happy to hear otherwise.

Of course, at this point it would seem to be too late. The RFP was open for only 24 days. A much more typical time for a project of this sensitivity, budget and duration (PERMANENT!?) would be at least 3 months, more typically 5-6 months. Submissions should come in from all over the country, and better yet - great effort should be made to solicit submissions from regional tribal artists. As of writing this letter 2 submittals were made, or received, in time, or who knows? Both appear to be from qualified candidates. Both appear to be white males or white male-led operations without any mention of specialty in honoring or working with First Nations people. I am not a sculptor, but both appear to do high quality work. This is not a knock on the applicants. The schedule states that phase one design is to start in April. Like right now.

Do we have a sculpture being designed by non-tribal artists with potentially little or no tribal input being selected by a colonizer committee to be installed on stolen land near a building that is being considered to being leased to a tribal group? In 2024. Is that the deal in Quincy, America?

I appreciate this paper, and I appreciate Mr. Bosworth and Mr. Jackson. Without their work we wouldn't even know the dribble of information that the city offers, and without the generous space afforded the Readers Forum that prints the deeper dives folks like me and others recently have done (kudos to the citizens detailing the debt Mr. Koch is comfortable running up, the developer deals for downtown, the slumbering 99-year lease, the failure of historical preservation in architecture, the golf-above-all-else mentality, and on and on). Please, friends at the Sun, ask hard questions. Check sources. It would be soooo journalistic of you. Friends in the community, please continue to call out the good, bad and ugly. Please continue to write in and share your experiences and expertise in anyway that you can so that we, in our own small way, can contribute to a better future for this city.

Ryan Edwards
Quincy

Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
1981
43 Years Ago

Police Crackdown On Precious Metals Purchases

"This is how we're going to stop housebreaks in Quincy," said Police Chief Francis X. Finn of the department's new strict enforcement regulating the purchase of second hand precious metals by merchants.

The ordinance requires that merchants file daily records with the police department of gold, silver and other precious metal purchases, and that the merchandise be held in its original state for 30 days.

Holding the merchandise for 30 days, Finn explained, allowed time for the property to be identified and returned to owners if it had been stolen and unknowingly purchased by merchants. Finn said the strict enforcement of the ordinance is a multi-community effort in reaction to rising incidence of housebreaks on the South Shore. Communities included in that effort were Hingham, Braintree, Weymouth, Pembroke and Hanover.

Since strict enforcement of the ordinance went into effect April 8, merchant response to the regulations has been "fair," said Det. Lt. David Rowell.

Those not in compliance with the regulations would be brought before the License Board and would also have to answer for violation of a city ordinance.

Building Inspector Allan MacDonald backed Finn's enforcements measures saying "If that's what it takes to stop housebreaks, that's what we have to do to."

KELLY ASKS CONTROLLED BURNING OF MARSHES

Fire Chief Edward Barry was asked to make a study of "controlled burning" in the Quincy marshes to create a fire wall between homes and businesses and marsh grass.

Council President Leo Kelly, who lives in Houghs Neck where marsh grass abounds, said that the grass is dying and youngsters have been starting fires to them.

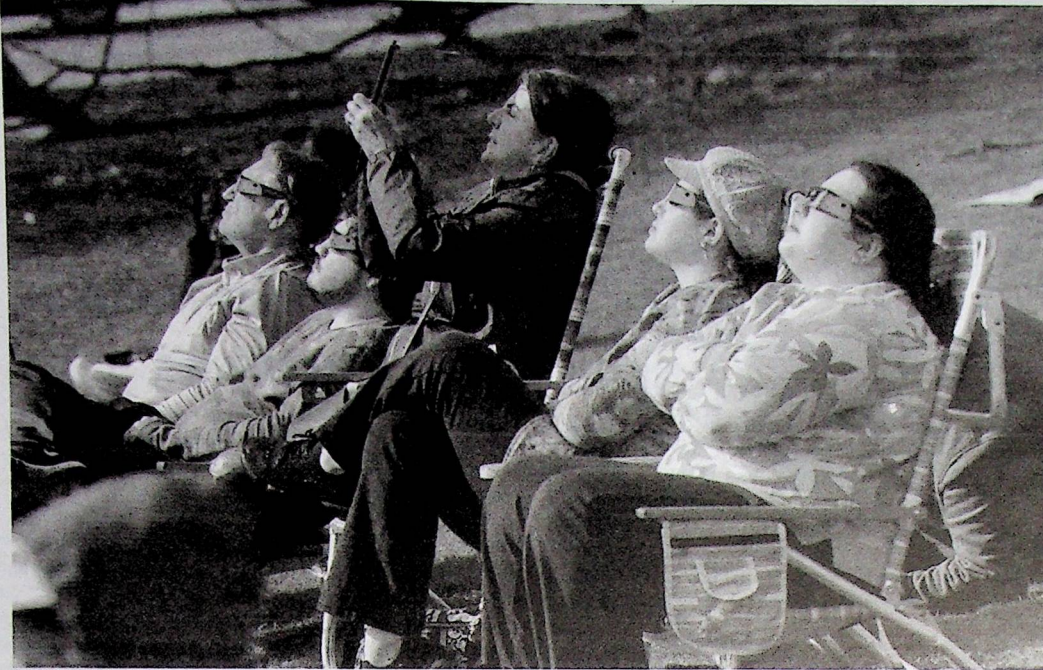
"The marshes of Quincy have been a constant source of problems to home owners and fire department personnel because of the danger of fire," Kelly said.

The council referred his study request to Mayor Arthur Tobin and Chief Barry.

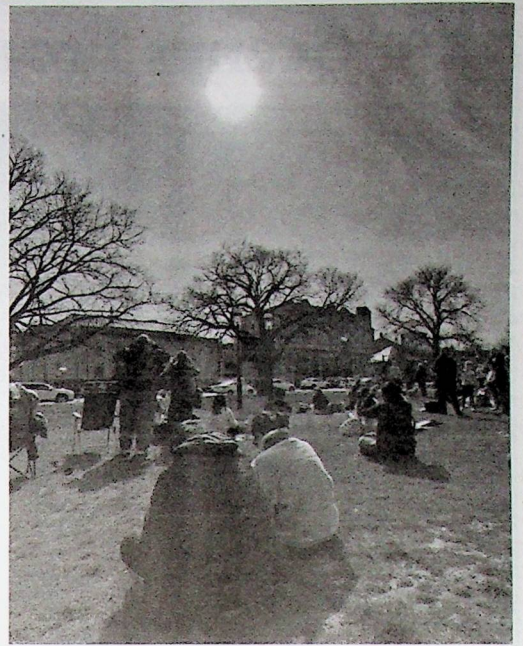
QUINCYISMS

John Barron, former aide to Cong. Brian Donnelly, was sworn in as a member of the Quincy Planning Board by City Clerk John Gillis. . . Donna L. Ferguson of Cranch Street, Quincy, was on the honors list at Upsala College. . .

Jeanne M. McManus of Quincy was on the Dean's List at Trinity College. . . Dave Montani was installed as the exalted ruler of the Quincy Lodge of Elks. He accepted the gavel from his grandfather, past exalted ruler Larry Antonelli who served 1945 to 1946. . . Weymouth Savings Bank advertised 6-month certificates of deposit of 14.588 percent and 30-month CDs of 12.938 percent. . . Corinne Radzevich of North Quincy, a fifth grade student at Sacred Heart School, was selected an elementary school winner in the regional division of the American Automobile Association's 37th annual National School Traffic Safety Poster Contest. . . O. Donald Gohl, assistant vice president of the Quincy Cooperative Bank, accepted the chairmanship of the 1981 Sustaining Membership Enrollment Campaign to benefit Boy Scouts in the Blue Granite District which served Quincy and Milton. . . Mayor Arthur Tobin ordered flags at public buildings be flown at half staff in memory of George C. Fay, 64, a Quincy native active in civic and charitable work. Mr. Fay, who served as chairman of the Quincy Festival Committee, died April 7. . . Laura Barba of Quincy received the Bobby Orr Sportsmanship Award from the former Boston Bruins great at an awards ceremony held at the Natick Hilton Inn. The award was presented to select Amateur Hockey Association players for dedication and achievement in the game. . . Gino Pillard of North Quincy's wrestling team was unbeaten for the two straight years posting a 33-0-2 record in regular season competition. . . Siobhan Shiels, age 11, of Hillsboro Street, took third place in the Atlantic Division Championships of the Pepsi Cola-NBA Hotshot competition held at the Boston Garden. She received a recognition award from former Celtic great Dave Cowens and former Cincinnati great Oscar Robertson. . . Sticker prices on a 1981 Buick Skylark Coupe and 1981 Buick Regal were \$6,699 and \$7,599 respectively at South Shore Buick.



PEOPLE GAZE at the sun through their protective glasses watching the solar eclipse April 8. Quincy Sun photos/Tom Gorman



A PORTION of the sun glows as the moon begins to cover its surface casting a dimness on the Crane Library lawn.

Hundreds Gather On Library Lawn For Solar Eclipse

By TOM GORMAN

"This is so awesome," said Michael Perry of Quincy as he reclined on a lawn chair on the front lawn of the Thomas Crane Library to view the solar eclipse on Monday, April 8.

He was one of several hundred people of all ages who gathered for the library's solar eclipse party. The front lawn was a sea of people, most of them wearing eclipse glasses, standing, sitting on the grass, or relaxing in chairs, all gazing in one direction: up, to watch the moon as it slowly took bites out of the afternoon sun.

The 60-degree temperature noticeably dropped several degrees as the sun dimmed. At 3:29 p.m., the moment arrived everyone was waiting for: 93 percent of the sun being covered by the moon. Only a sliver of the upper left of the sun could be seen. After about a minute, the moon slowly moved on, the sun began to brighten, and the air warmed.

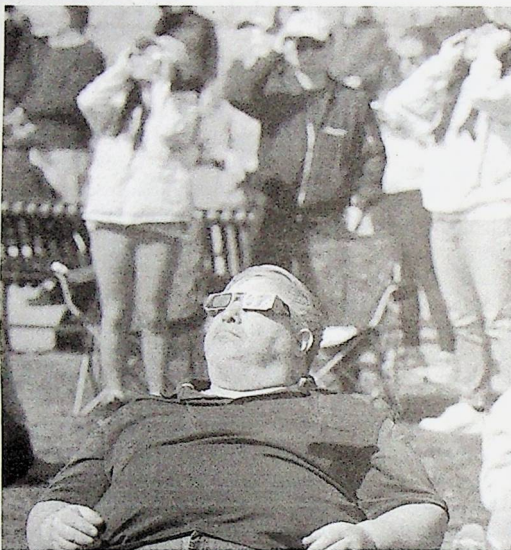
"So cool," said Alex Lam, 9, as he looked at the nearly covered sun through his eclipse glasses. "The sun is almost gone."

Elizabeth Gudmand came up from Hull with her two sons, Matthias, 8, and Michael, 6. The brothers stood side-by-side viewing the spectacle with their glasses.

"We drove up here for the party," she said. "There was nothing like this near where we live. We are really enjoying it. I like the energy here with all the kids."

While the majority of people were outside, the library was offering a live stream of the eclipse on a large screen TV inside.

"We didn't know what the weather was going to be, it's New England, so we had a dual live stream with NASA inside," said Rosey



MICHAEL PERRY of Quincy reclines in his lawn chair as he joins hundreds on the lawn of the Crane Library watching the solar eclipse.

Smith, the programming and outreach librarian. "We had about twenty to twenty-five people tuned into that who didn't have glasses or just wanted to be inside."

The library had about one thousand glasses to give out, acquired through the Solar Eclipse Activities for Libraries. The supply, though, didn't last long.

During the two weeks leading up to the April 8th event, the specially de-

signed glasses were given out at several eclipse programs at the library. The sun could be safely viewed with the glasses.

"We had a limited number to give out today," explained Theresa Tangney, the reference coordinator. "Today, we had about 400 people come through. We had a lot of glasses sharing because we ran out pretty quickly."

The library also provided



MICHAEL GUDMAND, 6, left, and his brother, Matthias, 8, watch the solar eclipse through their protective glasses during the Crane Library's Solar Eclipse Party. The boys came up from Hull with their mom for the event.

some activities on the lawn, including chalk and lawn games. And library staff floated around chatting with people about the eclipse.

Perry was pleased the previous day's rainy, chilly weather didn't extend into the day of the eclipse.

"We couldn't have had a better day," he said.

Tangney agreed.

"This was a great community event," she said. "Everyone had a good time."

The majority of New England had about 93 per-

cent of the sun eclipsed. The extreme northern portions of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont had a total eclipse. The next time the moon's shadow sweeps across a portion of the U.S. will be on Aug. 23, 2044.



SOLAR ECLIPSE buttons were handed at the Crane Library's eclipse party to commemorate the day.



THE DIMMING sun creates an eerie look as people watch the eclipse on the Crane Library lawn.

Woodward School Marks 130th Year Educating Young Women In Quincy

The Woodward School community gathered for its annual Founders' Day in March, celebrating the vision and generosity of founders, Dr. Ebenezer and Mary Greenleaf Woodward, as the school marks its 130th year of educating young women on Hancock Street in Quincy.

Woodward Head of School, Alex Magay described the day's traditions. "Founders' Day activities include a visit to the Woodward-Greenleaf Tomb in Quincy's historic Hancock Cemetery, and an evening program of student declamation performances telling Woodward's story, highlighting students and the school's academic program. Dr. Woodward was a cousin and physician to President John Adams. Both valued access to education as essential to the wellbeing of the new American republic, and both founded schools in Quincy to this end."

English teacher Kerry Lynch Twomey opened the evening program by quoting from Woodward's first Principal, Carrie Small, who wrote in 1897 that the school endeavors "to fulfill the purpose of its Founders, where young women are taught to feel themselves members of one large family, and to do their best work in the sunshine of loving interest."

Introducing the student

declamations, Ms. Twomey explained, "At Woodward, we recognize that artistic expression is an inextricable aspect of our humanity. Our Upper School Language and Performance program is where students hone their public speaking and presentation skills and explore the art of storytelling through multiple mediums, discovering and applying their artistic talents to collaborative as well as individual performance projects."

The performances began with Grade 8 students reciting poetry. Latin 3 students recited from Catullus in Latin and then gave the English translation. Individual Upper School students recited speeches or writings from women in our history, including Abigail Adams' Remember the Ladies letter, spoken by Leah Terry '24; Margaret Walker's 1944 narrative, Harriet Tubman, recited in excerpts by Woodward seniors Brianna Francois, Kendall Joseph and Nyla Montauban; Ida B. Wells' 1891 lecture on The Requisites of True Leadership, spoken by Eden Logan '25. Adria Kraja '24 and Savannah Eutsay '25 recited Rev. Dr. Anna Shaw's 1915 speech, The Fundamental Principles of a Democracy. Hadley Duncan '24 recited Hillary Clinton's 1995 Women's Rights are Human Rights speech. Nyla Montauban '24 recited Barbara

Jordan's 1976 speech, Who Will Speak for The Common Good; Starr Pierre '24 and Jarvia Ramos '25 recited Amanda Gorman's 2021 poem, The Hill We Climb.

Woodward Junior Savannah Eutsay '25 was announced as the winner of the Founder's History Paper Competition, a graduation requirement to write a thesis paper on a topic in U.S. History. Papers are scored by independent readers and the highest scored paper wins the Susan Martin Hayes History Prize and Scholarship, established in memory of a beloved former History teacher at Woodward. Ms. Hates institutionalized the Founders' Paper as a rite of passage for the junior class. Ms. Eutsay was awarded the scholarship prize for her excellent paper, Quakers and Mental Health in America.

Quincy resident and Woodward senior Abigail Williams was Stage Manager for the show, and led a student team that researched Woodward's 130-year history through original photos and documents, to produce a video depicting Woodward students and traditions over the years, delighting and informing the attendees.

Woodward has been honoring the mission of its Founders by advancing girls in grades 6-12 through excellence in education, since the school opened in Quincy in 1894.

Social



ALPHA DELTA KAPPA Xi Chapter celebrated April National Poetry Month with the Quincy High School Poetry Club. Students shared original or favorite poems. Pictured left to right are Alpha Delta Kappa members Deanna White-Hebert, Joanne McCarthy, Helen Dooner, Linda Beck, and Mary Young; Mr. James Ikeda, Quincy High School teacher and students Narya Ramesh, Toby Ramos and Gray Ramstead.

Courtesy Photo

Quincy Rotary Club Centennial Gala May 8

'Putting on the Ritz - Great Gatsby Style'

The Rotary Club of Quincy will celebrate over 100 years with its Annual Dinner & Auction Wednesday, May 8. This year's theme is "Putting on the Ritz - Great Gatsby Style."

The event begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club of Quincy, 27 Gledale Rd., Quincy.

Jim Fagan will serve as emcee for the event. 1920's-themed attire is encouraged. Prizes for best dressed flapper and best dressed gangster will be awarded.

Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Quincy Charitable Foundation Inc. Quincy Rotary's fundraising efforts have resulted in contributions of more than \$60,000 in 2023 to scholarships, local charities and international service projects which make our community and the world a better place. Quincy Rotary's ambitious goal for its 101st year is \$101,000 in funds raised.

Individual tickets to this event are available for \$75. Tables and sponsorships are also available. Table hosts at the sponsor levels of silver and above will receive 10 tickets. Donations for the

silent and live auctions are also welcomed.

For more information, contact Quincy Rotary President-Elect Mike Wilcox at 339-205-6363 or MJWQuincyRotary@gmail.com.

The Rotary Club of Quincy was established in 1923. For over 100 years, the club has brought neighbors, friends, leaders and problem solvers together to make a difference in our community and the world. The Rotary motto is "Service above Self," and in addition to funds, many of our members provide service to the beneficiary organizations. We welcome anyone who wants to make an impact, build lifelong friendships, make new connections and have fun providing service to others to join us. Among the many contributions locally and globally,

Rotary:

- Provides over \$1 million in college scholarships for Quincy students.
- Collects clothing and essential items for at-risk, housing insecure students.
- Reads and distributes Josh the Otter Water Safety & Awareness book in elementary schools.
- Serves meals and host bingo, bringing joy and fellowship to seniors
- Sponsors Wreaths Across America and send care packages to service members, and cards for veterans.
- Leads an international service project for the Friends of Thai Daughters Sunflower Organic Farm which helps prevent child trafficking through education, shelter, and love.
- Partnership with the Maechan Rotary in Chiang Rai, Thailand.

Rou Chen Initiated Into

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Rou Chen of Quincy was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline

collegiate honor society. Chen was initiated at University of Massachusetts.

Blue Hills Guided Walk Tours April 19-20

The Department of Natural Resources invites the public to a free guided walk in the Blue Hills to experience the sights, sounds, smells, taste, and feel (including mud and wet trails!) of spring.

Tours are Friday, April 19th at 10 a.m. and Sat-

urday, April 20 at 10 a.m. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required by emailing sowaen@quincyma.gov indicating which date you would like and the number of people in your group. Meeting place and tour details will be provided upon registration.

The tours are a leisurely 2 to 3 miles on uneven terrain with protruding roots and rocks in places and some gentle hills. Waterproof boots and hiking poles are recommended. For the safety of humans and dogs, dogs are not permitted on the tour.

Neponset River Spring Cleanup April 20

The Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA), in collaboration with a coalition of partners, announces the return of the Neponset River Spring Cleanup, set for Saturday, April 20th, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at various cleanup sites, including Canton, Dorchester, Hyde Park, Milton, Norwood, and Quincy.

Volunteers of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate in this meaningful and important event. The cleanup involves a variety of tasks for diverse abilities. Children under 15 are welcome, but should be accompanied by an adult.

Pre-registration is appreciated for planning purposes. During registration, you'll have the opportunity to select your preferred

cleanup site. The Association will provide essential equipment on-site, including trash bags, gloves, tools, and waders.

"The cleanup not only helps to get more people on the River but protects the space for wildlife and ensures a beautiful and safe Neponset for all," said Beni Marques, NepRWA Envi-

ronmental Science Fellow and cleanup organizer, "It's important that we protect and cleanup the River so that everyone can enjoy it."

Registration and site details can be found at www.neponset.org/cleanup.

Can't join us this time? Consider donating to help offset the cost at www.neponset.org/donate.

NQHS Class Of 1964 60th Reunion June 28

North Quincy High School Class of 1964 will hold its 60th reunion Friday, June 28 from 2 to 6 p.m. at Boston Winery, 26 Ericson St., Boston (just over the Neponset Bridge, next to Venezia.)

Beer and wine will be served along with an array of appetizers, antipasto, cheese and fruit platter. Dress is casual and there will be a cash bar.

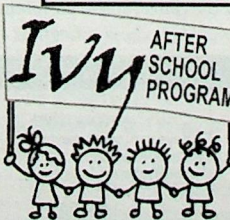
Tickets are \$70 per person.

For more information visit: www.northquincy64.com.

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WHAT'S COOKING

with
Marie & Suzie

By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO



Stuffed Clams

By MARIE

Clams can be stuffed many ways. Today's recipe is for stuffed clams, one that I sometimes use.

Preheat Oven to 325 Degrees – Prepare a cookie sheet with parchment paper

Ingredients and directions:

- 1 pound of little neck clams
- ½ cup minced clams, cooked, either fresh or canned – keep juice (Be sure the minced clams are cooked)
- ½ cup of panko seasoned breadcrumbs
- 2 tablespoons of white wine (I used pinot grigio)
- Juice of ½ lemon
- 1 teaspoon of fresh parsley, minced

While clams are cooking, in a bowl, place the panko breadcrumbs, wine, lemon and cooked minced clams – stir until combined.

Boil clams until open. Discard any clam that does not open and once cooked, keep them in their shell.

When the clams are all cooled, remove the top shell only and lay the clam with the bottom shell on a cookie sheet.

Place the mixture on each clam that is on the cookie sheet – with clam on bottom – so when you eat this, the clam is the last thing that you eat.

Add the parsley to the top of the stuffing before baking.

Bake in a 325-degree oven until heated and serve with additional lemon juice if preferred.

Walnut Spread

By SUZIE

So, before you read the recipe, here is some information regarding walnuts that you might not know.

Walnuts help reduce “belly fat”, help decrease LDL cholesterol (and increase the good kind) increase heart healthy omega 3's in red blood cells, help to reduce inflammation, in human subjects have showed to reduce the risk of pancreatic cancer, and in rat and mice studies, have been shown to reduce the risk of breast cancer, may help with bone loss and improve overall bone health, and contain high amounts of important minerals (like magnesium) which is found to be lacking significantly in our diets in general.

This is a terrific spread and takes only a few minutes. Great for a summer party or a

quick and easy appetizer!

WALNUT SPREAD

- 1 can garbanzo beans
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 cup basil leaves
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 2 Tblsp. lemon juice
- sea salt and pepper
- 1 small clove garlic, minced (or garlic powder, just 1/4 tsp or so)

Drain beans and reserve liquid. In food processor, combine 1/4 cup reserved liquid with all other ingredients. Cover and process.

You may need to add more liquid as you go along to make it nice and smooth! Serve with raw vegetables, crackers, or spread on your next healthy sandwich . . . whatever you enjoy!

'Musical Journey Through The Decades' Quincy Concert Series

Mayor Thomas P. Koch and the City of Quincy invite the community to save the dates for the upcoming 2024 monthly concert series on the Hancock Adams Common, “Celebrate a Musical Journey through the Decades.”

Musical performances will span songs from the 1940s through the 1990s and include a patriotic concert. The concerts include:

• **Music of the 40s & 50s** on Saturday, May 18th from 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

• **Music of the 60s & 70s** on Saturday, June 22nd

from 1 to 7 p.m.

• **A Patriotic Celebration** on Saturday, July 6th from 4 to 8 p.m.

• **Music of the 80s & 90s** on Saturday, Aug. 17th from 3 to 8 p.m.

“The wide variety of music offers something for everyone to enjoy,” said Mayor Koch. “It’s a wonderful way to spend an afternoon or evening with friends and family out on the beautiful Hancock Adams Common.”

All performances are free to the public. Seating will be available. Lawn chairs

are allowed. Food and dessert trucks are scheduled for food and drink purchases with local restaurants open for business in and around the Hancock Adams Common and downtown Quincy.

Artists from the Quincy Arts Association will be on-site on the grass of the Common painting live during the show.

Check the City of Quincy's social media and quincy.ma.gov for upcoming details on each for performer announcements and schedules throughout each show.

Legislative Update – State Sen. John Keenan

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retary of Transportation to discuss local water transportation, and attended a legislator's breakfast at the Holbrook Public Library to discuss library funding.

March was busy, and April promises more of the same.

JUST A QUICK STORY:

We closed out the month with a very interesting announcement from Massachusetts Attorney General Andrea Campbell. Working with the Gaming Commission, the Council on Gaming and Health, the Civic Action Project, NCAA, and New England's four

largest sports franchises, AG Campbell unveiled the Youth Sports Betting Safety Coalition. This new entity will seek to raise awareness of the laws, risks, and public health harms associated with sports betting and gambling by young people.

We have all seen – and probably been annoyed by – the deluge of sports betting advertisements, but these ads particularly endanger one vulnerable demographic. Recent studies have shown young men are the most at risk for problem gambling. While you must be 21 to place a bet, the age restriction does not prevent young people from seeing

sports betting advertisements. For this reason, the Youth Sports Betting Safety Coalition is direly needed.

Once enacted, the coalition will create health education curriculum for middle school, high school and college-aged young people, ages 12-20, throughout the Commonwealth. The coalition will also collaborate with sports media and licensed gaming operators to spotlight the risks of gambling. Thus far, the Boston Red Sox, Boston Celtics, Boston Bruins, and New England Patriots have all endorsed the coalition and are working with state officials on this initiative.

'John Quincy Adams: Reluctant Abolitionist' Program Topic Thursday

On Thursday, April 18th, at 7 p.m. at the Adams Academy, Quincy Historical Society will mark the Patriots Day holiday by hosting a program highlighting the second generation of the Adams political dynasty and exploring the unfinished business of the American Revolution.

Author and former history teacher, Jeffrey Denman, will discuss the subject of his latest book – John Quincy Adams' complex evolution on the issue of slavery.

Over the course of his varied career, John Quincy Adams – as a diplomat, as President, as a member of Congress, as an attorney – frequently found himself wrestling with the “pecu-

liar institution” of slavery. While personally vehemently opposed to slavery and frequently expressing his disgust with southern slaveholders, JQA never officially joined the abolitionist movement, fearing that abolition would inevitably lead to the dissolution of the union.

In this program, Denman will highlight the various intersections of Adams' career with the national debate

over slavery and abolition, including the tumultuous antebellum period, and Adams' defense of the kidnapped Mendi people during the Amistad case before the U.S. Supreme Court.

This event is open to all and free to attend. A book signing will follow the program.

The Adams Academy is located at 8 Adams St., Quincy.

Squantum School Scholarships

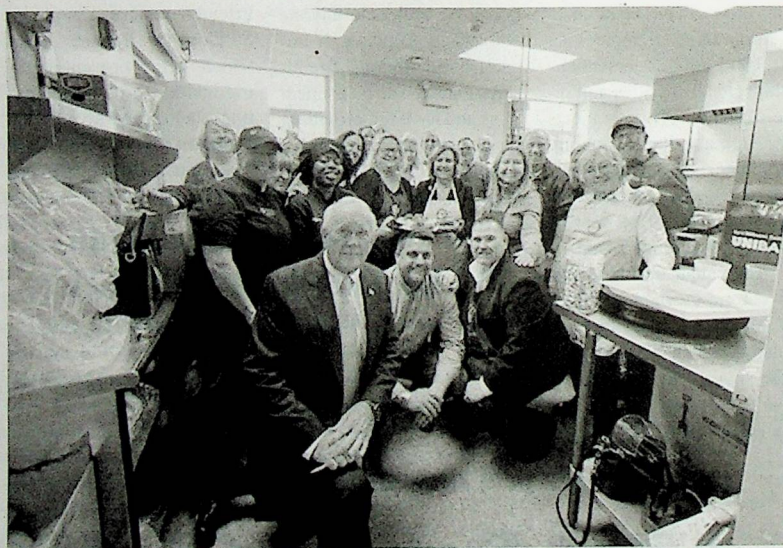
Squantum School Parent Teacher Organization announces it will be offering four scholarships this year awarded to graduating seniors who attended the Squantum School. The scholarships include:

• Two \$250 Squantum School PTO scholarships available: one male and one female recipient.

• Two \$100 Virginia Whalen Memorial Scholarships, in memory of Virginia Whalen who worked as a lunch matron at the school for 30 years.

Application forms are available in the guidance offices at North Quincy High school and Quincy High school. Applicants can also pick up applications in the main office at Squantum School.

Applications must be completed and returned to Squantum School on or before Friday, May 3rd. Scholarship winners will be chosen by lottery drawing under the direction of the Squantum School PTO.



MEMBERS OF THE Quincy Rotary Club, together with Friends of the Kennedy Senior Center, recently held its annual Senior Lunch for more than 120 guests. Jim Fagan served as emcee for the event, awarding a variety of raffle prizes. A special thanks for Catering by Terrie for the ziti & meatballs, Montilio's for desserts, Coffee Break Cafe for the coffee, and to all volunteers.

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Social Security Matters Ask Rusty - Can I Claim Social Security And Still Work?

By RUSSELL GLOOR
National Social Security Advisor
at the AMAC Foundation, The Non-Profit Arm
of the Association of Mature American Citizens

Dear Rusty: I will be turning 63 soon. Can I apply for Social Security and continue to work? Would I be limited to how many hours or how much I could make? I know my monthly SS amount would be cut by 30%, or somewhere around there, but how would working affect me? I was trying to read up on this, but the \$1 and \$2 thing confused me. I have an offer to take a work-at-home position and need to decide soon, but it is a cut in income. The cut would be okay if I could draw my Social Security too. **Signed: Wanting Work at Home**

Dear Wanting: If you claim your Social Security to start in the month you turn 63, you'll be claiming 4 years before your full retirement age (FRA) of 67, which means your monthly benefit at 63 will be about 25% less than it would be if you claimed SS at age 67. And if you are working before your FRA, you'll be subject to Social Security's "earnings test."

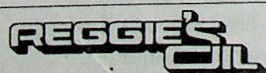
The 2024 earnings limit for those collecting early Social Security benefits is \$22,320 (this limit changes annually). If your annual earnings exceed the limit, Social Security will assess a penalty of \$1 for every \$2 you are over the limit. They will recover that penalty amount by withholding future benefits until they recover what you owe. If your work earnings are under the annual limit, you will get all your monthly SS benefits. But if you exceed the limit, they will find that out after you submit your income tax return (the following year) and issue you an overpayment notice, telling you how much you owe for exceeding the limit last year. They will then withhold your benefits until they get back what you owe, or you can repay them in a lump sum. To avoid the overpayment notice, it is best to inform Social Security in advance that you will exceed the annual earnings limit, and they will simply withhold your monthly SS benefits during the year for enough months to avoid overpaying you.

So, what you should do depends largely on how much your earnings from your new work-at-home position will be. If your earnings are below the annual limit, no penalty will be assessed. If you only exceed the annual limit by a little bit, then you can still work and earn and simply repay them what is owed for exceeding the limit (or have your SS benefit temporarily withheld). If you only exceed the earnings limit by a little, you'll still get benefits for most months of the year. But if you significantly exceed the annual earnings limit, you could even be ineligible to receive SS benefits until you either earn less or reach your full retirement age (the earnings limit goes away at your FRA).

So, what you should do depends on what "a cut in income" means in terms of your expected annual earnings amount. If your total annual earnings will be under the annual limit, your SS benefit won't be affected. If you only exceed the limit by a little bit, then you will get SS benefits for most months of the year. But if your annual earnings are significantly over each year's annual earnings limit, then you won't get SS benefits for most months of the year and may even be temporarily ineligible to receive benefits.

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Three Sites Chosen For Pickleball Courts

By SCOTT JACKSON

The Department of Natural Resources is seeking funding from the Community Preservation Committee to place pickleball courts at three locations across the city.

Construction on the new courts could begin later this year, Dave Murphy, the commissioner of Natural Resources, said in a recent interview.

The first location where the department hopes to build new pickleball courts is Faxon Park. The courts would be located in the section of the park near Falls Boulevard, one of the areas incorporated into the park after it was originally established.

"The city has expanded the contiguous land around Faxon Park. Faxon Park was 57 acres back in 1885," Murphy said. "There was a piece of property adjacent to it that the city picked up that has been capped and covered and is safe and there is another piece in the back, but they sit fallow. They're not part of the original park inventory."

"Some of the conversations we had with the Friends of Faxon Park through the years were that they are interested in preserving kind of the character of the park, and I understand completely what they mean. Faxon Park is one of our last truly wooded parks, so that's why we expanded the trail network. Even the disc golf course, it's kind of cohesive with the rest of that character."

"If we're going to do paved pickleball courts, they'd probably be in that newer section. Add some additional walking paths in and around that area too. Faxon Park used to have the overlook, which is grown in a bit and you don't have the true overlook like you had 40, 50 years ago. The additional area of the park that I mentioned does have a beautiful view down to the water, so you can really do some things with adding or linking to the walking trails to capitalize on that view, expose more people to it, do some pickleball up in that section."

The second site for new pickleball courts is near the Fenno Street tennis courts, which are part of Merry-mount Park.

"The other area we're looking at is the Fenno Street tennis courts," Murphy said. "There's a piece of property behind there that years and years ago that we used for shuffleboard and there is an old swing set back there. We're looking to add a couple of courts."

The third location is off Commander Shea Boulevard in North Quincy, on land FedEx donated to the city.

"There is a piece of property off the Commander Shea extension," Murphy said. "FedEx donated a piece of land to the city; most it was wetlands in the back but there is an upland section on the front side of that that we think would be a good neighborhood asset for the folks that live in Marina Bay."

Murphy said it was important to have multiple sites for pickleball courts because a single location could

become overwhelmed.

"What we want to do is we want to make sure we don't overload one location with a pickleball mecca. We want to spread it out so we have new pickleball courts throughout the city," Murphy said.

"The county has courts up at the Presidents Golf Course complex, which are popular. We have many of our newer tennis courts that we've done over the last five years that are multi-lined, so there are pickleball lines on them. We don't often put out the pickleball nets unless the rec is sponsoring an event because we don't want to create a conflict between tennis and pickleball, but there are opportunities beyond those three locations I just mentioned to expand pickleball based on demand between tennis and pickleball."

"But that will have to go through a process. It has to go through the CPC, it has to go before the council, and then construction is likely in the late summer or fall on that."

North Quincy Auto School Embraces The Future, Training New Drivers In An Electric Car

Back in the fall, Jason Cai of North Quincy Auto School (NQAA) got some good news. The Chevrolet Bolt EUV he had been waiting for was available.

This development had been a long time coming, due to pandemic supply chain issues that are now starting to resolve for electric cars. Non-profits Green Energy Consumers Alliance of Boston, and Quincy Asian Resources Inc. (QARI) (Cai's neighbors at 275 Hancock in Quincy), worked together with Cai to subsidize the purchase with \$5,000 from a grant they received through Mass Clean Energy Center's ACT4All program. "There are a few reasons why we decided to get an EV for our driving school, first being the incline of prices for [all] vehicles, but with EVs there are many incentives to receive from the government. Every little bit helps," says Cai. "And with the rising costs of gas, we figured it would be cheaper in the long run to use an EV. EVs also have better mileage on local roads, and our driving is usually 90% local routes. Finally, it would be nice to help the environment with one less car on the road using gas."

Thanks to the ACT4All initiative, Green Energy Consumers and QARI have been partnered to share information on the benefits of electric vehicles with immigrant and non-English speaking communities since 2022. Because many mem-

bers of QARI's community go through Cai's school to learn to drive, the organizations decided that helping the driving school add an electric car to its fleet would be well within their joint mission.

"By 2035, 100% of new cars sold in Massachusetts must be electric," said Anna Vanderspek, Electric Vehicle Program Director at Green Energy Consumers. "Introducing new drivers to electric cars only helps in the transition. We're thrilled that NQAA wants to be a part of this."

"Youth drivers are an im-

portant group when we're talking about the transition towards electric vehicles," says Fangxue Zheng of QARI. "To help them get to know about EVs at an early stage of their learning journey is of crucial importance. We're excited to work together with NQAA on this important step towards clean transportation!"

Green Energy Consumers & QARI have undertaken multiple educational initiatives that have reached hundreds, including free test-drive events at Quincy's Hale Family YMCA, EV 101 presentations in Eng-

lish and Chinese, special outreach to "gig" drivers for companies like Uber and Lyft, a presence at QARI's popular Lunar New Year and August Moon Festival events, and even EV scavenger hunts for QARI's youth program participants. Cai & the NQAA Bolt participated in one such scavenger hunt recently.

Now that it's been a few months since NQAA started using the Bolt, Cai has seen positive outcomes. "Students are really liking the Bolt. They have no trouble picking up the whole regenerative braking situation."



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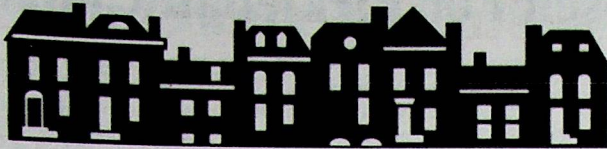
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10 Weston Avenue
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29 James Street
511 Hancock Street
11 Grace Road
179 Presidents Lane
118 Holmes Street
28 Lind Street
44 Campbell Street

O'Donnell Promotes Massachusetts Homestead Act

Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell is reminding homeowners about the importance of filing for Homestead Protection.

In 2023 there were 9,693 declarations of Homestead filed at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, 14 percent less than in 2022.

"If you own a home, and it is your primary residence, you have an automatic homestead exemption of \$125,000. However, if you file a Declaration of Homestead at the Registry of Deeds, the exemption increases to \$500,000. The Homestead Law provides a homeowner with limited protection against the forced sale of their primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000 if they have filed.

"This is especially important when you consider that for most of us, a home is our most valuable asset. Consumers should take steps to protect that asset," O'Donnell said.

Another feature of the Homestead Law is the allowance for the filing of an

Elderly Homestead Declaration, which defines an elder as a person who is 62 years of age or older and provides protection of \$500,000 for each qualified person.

"In March of 2011, the Homestead Law was updated so that a valid Homestead is not terminated when refinancing a mortgage," O'Donnell noted. "Other changes that took place back in 2011 state that a Homestead can provide protections for a primary home even if it is held in a trust. The definition of a primary residence was also expanded to include a manufactured or mobile home."

A Declaration of Homestead also protects the sale proceeds if the home is sold for up to one year after the date of the sale or on the date when a new home is purchased with the proceeds, whichever comes first. Additionally, if the home is damaged by a fire, for example, the insurance proceeds are protected for two years after the date of the fire or on the date when the home is reconstructed or a new home is purchased,

whichever is earlier.

While the Homestead Statute provides important protections for homeowners, it is important to note that certain debts are exempt from protection under the Homestead Act. These include federal, state, and local tax liens, as well as mortgages contracted for the purchase of a primary home and nursing home liens. Most other mortgages, debts, and encumbrances existing prior to the filing of the Declaration of Homestead, along with probate

court executions for spousal and child support, are also not covered under the Homestead Protection Statute.

Declarations of Homestead are recorded at the Registry of Deeds for a state-imposed fee of \$36.00. Additional information about the Homestead Law and the forms are available at no cost by going to the Registry's website at www.norfolkdeeds.org.

"I want to reiterate that a Homestead provides limited protection against the

forced sale of a homeowner's primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000," O'Donnell said. "While the debt is still owed, homeowners can have peace of mind knowing that with a Declaration of Homestead recorded at the Registry of Deeds, their primary residence cannot be forcibly sold to satisfy some debts."

If you have any questions about a Homestead, please contact the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds Customer Service Center at 781-461-

6101, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds is located at 649 High Street in Dedham. The Registry is a resource for homeowners, title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipalities and others with a need for secure, accurate, accessible land record information.

All land record research information can be found on the Registry's website www.norfolkdeeds.org.

Lots Of Free Events At Boston Design Week

By BARBARA GRACEFFA

Want to kick up your knowledge about all types of design? Look no further than the free design events at Boston Design Week 2024, in its 11th year.

In fact, Boston Design Week is a bit of a misnomer. Events happen in and outside of Boston – including a few on the South Shore. And it actually lasts two weeks from April 23 to May 5.

Travel to Watertown for a presentation on the top 10 mistakes to avoid when designing a kitchen, discover how to incorporate music in interior design at a piano shop in West Newton, celebrate historic preservation at a Chestnut Hill tour and lecture, or learn about the art and craft of designing with concrete in Jamaica Plain.

You'll find interesting lectures and special events from Milton and Dedham to Ipswich and Natick. Boston events spread across the city in Beacon Hill, Back Bay, the Seaport District, SOWA, and the Rose Kennedy Greenway, to name a few.

You'll learn from internationally known speakers, archi-

itects, builders, designers, horticulturalists, and other local experts on topics on interior decorating, fashion and landscape design, and historic homes. Get new ideas on global inspirations, living with art, design careers, and real estate issues. Events take place at museums, residences and model homes, as well as interior design centers, galleries, and showrooms.

On the bostondesignweek.com website, you will also find lists of open studios and on-going self-guided walking tours from the Ink Block to the Mount Auburn and Forest Hills cemeteries, and MIT's public and architectural walking tours.

So, whether you're interested in restoration clinics and appraisals for antiques or the latest topics in sustainability and net zero design, there is something for everyone. There are more than 70 events open to the public and most are free with RSVP.

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New Owner For Two Washington Street Restaurants

By **SCOTT JACKSON**

Two restaurants on Washington Street will soon have a new owner, though no changes are planned at either establishment.

The Board of License Commissioners on April 9 approved the transfer of the all-alcohol restaurant licenses held by the entities that own Cagney's at 214 Washington St. and the Pour Yard at 208 Washington St. to new owners. John MacNeil will be the new manager for both businesses.

MacNeil told the board they had reached an agreement with Mark DiBona, the owner of both establishments, to purchase them.

"We're entering into an agreement to purchase both the Pour Yard...and Cagney's and we're going to purchase the property as well from Mark," MacNeil said. "We're buying both

businesses and both properties."

MacNeil said there would be no material changes to the operations at either Cagney's or the Pour Yard, and both will keep their current names.

The license board approved the transfers in a pair of unanimous votes.

"Good luck, John," said City Clerk Nicole Crispo, the board's chairperson. "You did mention Mark DiBona who had Cagney's and the Pour Yard for years and did a great job and is retiring."

MacNeil said he wished DiBona well and appreciated the opportunity to run the establishments.

In other business on April 9, the board approved the request of Gennaro's Eatery at 12 Blanchard Rd. to change its name to Gennaro and Son Italian Bistro and Wine

Bar. The restaurant holds a beer and wine license.

Anthony Martocchio, the son of restaurant owner Gerard Martocchio, said his father was retiring after 30 years running the eatery.

"My father is retiring, and we just want to do a little update on the business," Anthony Martocchio said, adding that the business would be "essentially the same" while operating under the new name.

Crispo extended her congratulations to Anthony Martocchio on his father's retirement.

"I just wanted to say congratulations to your dad for his retirement," she said. "Well deserved for him. We're happy for him."

In other business on April 9, the Board of License Commissioners:

- Granted a special-use permit to Best Buddies

International for the 25th annual Best Buddies Challenge Hyannis Port on Saturday, June 1. Paul Curley said the organization hopes to have 1,000 riders this year, including 600 who will complete the 100-mile trek between Boston and Hyannis Port. Riders will be in Quincy from roughly 7:15 to 8 a.m. that morning.

- Granted the request of the South Shore YMCA for a special-use permit and one-day liquor license for its annual Taste of the South Shore fundraiser on Wednesday, May 8, from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Hale Family YMCA at 79 Coddington St. Nick Bendixen said he expected the fundraiser would draw between 450 and 500 guests. The event had previously been held at Lombardo's in Randolph, but the venue is now closed.

- Granted the request of

the Prison Brook Program, 1306 Hancock St. (the United First Parish Church), for a special-use permit and one-day liquor license for a comedy night fundraiser on Saturday, April 27, from 5 to 7 p.m. The event will feature four comics from New Normal Boston. Kelly Brotzman said attendance would be capped at 100 guests.

- Granted the request of the New England Free Jacks for a special-use permit and one-day liquor license for an event featuring the Boston Crusaders at Veterans' Memorial Stadium, 860 Hancock St., on Friday, June 14, from 6 to 9 p.m. Dave Jones said they anticipate 200 to 300 people will attend the event that evening.

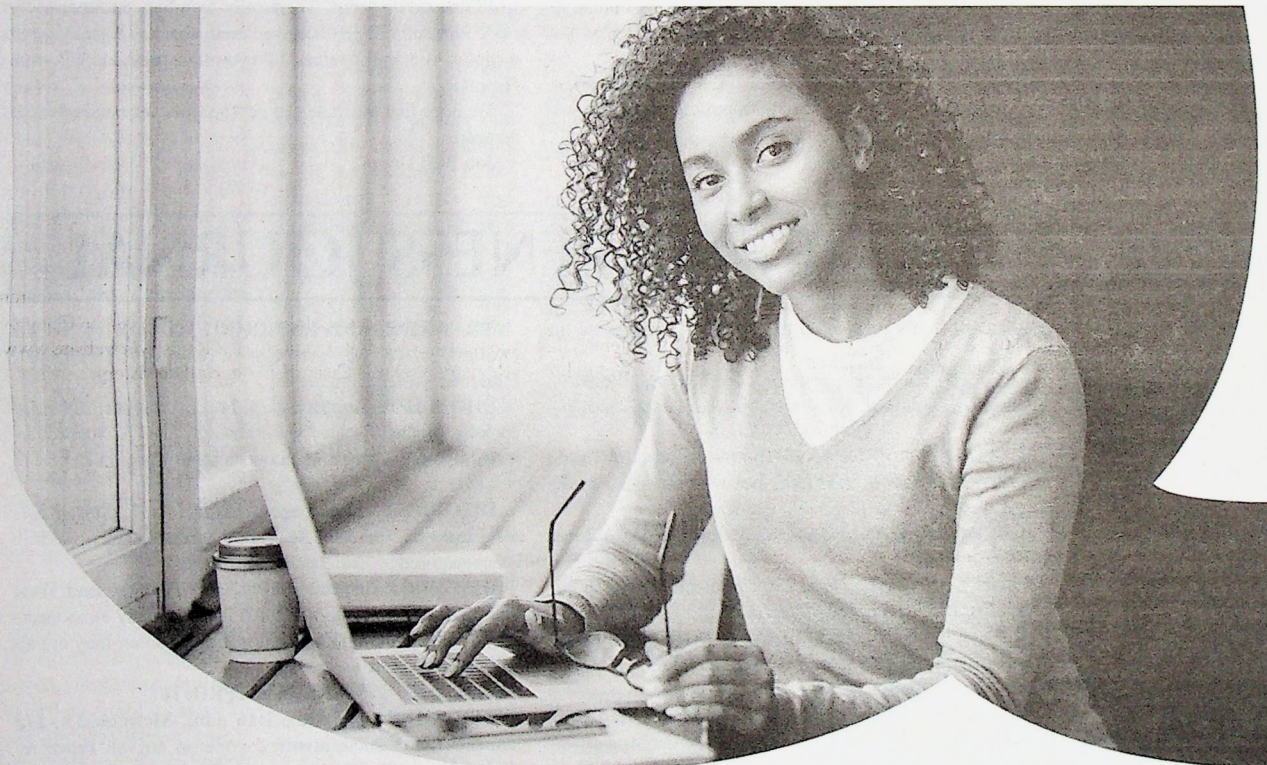
Friends Of Wollaston Beach Seek Cleanup Volunteers

The Friends of Wollaston Beach invite the public to participate in two upcoming beach cleanups.

ParkServe Day is set for Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to noon at the north end of Wollaston Beach (between Herbert Road and Milton Road.)

The Friends will also be taking part in Cleaner/Greener Quincy on Saturday, May 4 from 10 a.m. to noon at Caddy Park (south end of the Beach).

For learn more about the Friends of Wollaston Beach, go to www.friendsofwollastonbeach. To become a member or volunteer for a beach committee, call or text Maureen Mazrimas at 617-257-8295.



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New England Free Jacks Down Sabercats 47-35 In Major League Rugby

The New England Free Jacks traveled to the previously undefeated Houston SaberCats last Saturday and produced their highest-scoring effort of the season to earn a 47-35 win.

Wayne van der Bank scored three tries and earned Man of the Match honors. Malakai Hala-Ngata, Wian Conradie, Jayson Potroz, and Reece MacDonald added single braces in the win.

With the victory, the Free Jacks earned 4 points plus a bonus point for scoring four tries. The defending Major League Rugby Champions moved to 5-1 on the campaign and remained in first place in the Eastern Conference with 24 points. The Free Jacks play next on Saturday when they host the Western Conference-leading Seattle Seawolves at Veterans' Memorial Stadium in Quincy. Start time 2 p.m.

BOX SCORE

New England Free Jacks

Malakai Hala-Ngata ' 6 (Jayson Potroz conversion)
Wian Conradie (Portoz conversion)
Potroz ' 22 (Potroz conversion)
Wayne van der Bank '40 (Potroz conversion)
Reece MacDonald '47 (conversion failed)
van der Bank '51 (Potroz conversion)
van der Bank '77 (Portoz conversion)

Houston SaberCats

Christian Dyer '5 (conversion failed)
Davy Coetzer '20 (penalty kick)
Jeremy Misaillegu '25 (conversion failed)

Coetzer '32 (conversion failed)
Coetzer '58 (conversion failed)
Line Latu '67 (conversion failed)
Tiaan Erasmus '74 (AJ Alatim conversion)
Scoring 1 - 2 = F

New England Free Jacks - 28 - 19 = 47
Houston SaberCats - 18 - 17 = 35

MLR Eastern Conference Standings (as of 04/13/24)

1. New England Free Jacks - 5-1-0 - 24 pts
2. NOLA Gold - 3-2-0 - 15 pts
3. Old Glory DC - 2-2-2 - 14 pts
4. Chicago Hounds - 2-3-1 - 13 pts
5. Miami Sharks - 1-5-0 - 7 pts
6. Anthem RC 0-6-0 - 2 pt

On Saturday, April 6, Officer John Leuchte was working a security detail at the Cathay Pacific Restaurant on Hancock Street. At approximately 12:45 a.m., he was alerted by a patron that the bouncer was having trouble with a male in the lounge area who was unruly. The bouncer told Officer and the manager on duty that the patron was harassing female customers at the bar.

When asked to leave the unruly patron refused to leave and became more enraged. Officer Leuchte and the manager made several attempts to deescalate the situation and were not successful. The male appeared to be under the influence of both drugs and alcohol. Additional units were requested to assist as the bar area was crowded and closing time was approaching. The male struck Officer Leuchte, he radioed for the backup units to step up their response. Officer Waterman arrived minutes later, and the male continued fighting with the Officer and resisting arrest.

Officers Wood, Harrington and Fitzgerald arrived as additional back up. Unable to get the combative suspect into handcuffs, the male was given verbal commands by Officer

Wood to comply or advised he would be stunned with his department issued taser. Refusing to comply the male was stunned with the taser and safely secured into handcuffs.

Officer Waterman transported the suspect to police headquarters for booking. The suspect remained combative and uncooperative once at headquarters and was not able to be booked until 8:30 a.m. Use of force reports were filed and luckily none of the officers were injured.

The suspect was charged with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and assault & battery on a police officer. He was later arraigned at Quincy District Court.

Job Well Done!

A Job Well Done

By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT
Public Information Officer
Quincy Police Department

On Wednesday, April 10, officers were dispatched to a residence on Falls Boulevard for a report of a suicidal male armed with a knife. Officers Murray, Habib, McBrien, Francis and Sergeant Benvie were dispatched to the scene.

While responding to the scene, our Communications Division updated that the male did have a knife and was threatening suicide by cop. Officers Murray and Minton were first on scene and positioned their cruiser a safe distance from the caller/suicidal male. The male in distress, stated that he would only speak to EMS. The male did have a large metal knife in the pocket of his sweatshirt.

Officers deescalated at a safe distance until Brewster EMS arrived on scene. The family members on scene were not cooperative. The distressed male checked for any other weapons and once deemed safe was transported to a Boston Hospital.

We hope that the male can get the assistance and services he needs.

Job Well Done!

QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

LARCENY (packages stolen), 9:09 a.m., Hamilton House, 1025 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (youths fighting), 6:56 p.m., Dunkin Donuts, 825 Southern Artery. Youths fled the area prior to the officers' arrival.

ASSAULT (15 minutes ago), 7:58 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Suspect gone on arrival. Victim not looking to press charges. Advised and given case number.

SHOPLIFT (detained), 8:22 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave. Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on way. Store to handle.

SHOPLIFT (arrest), 11:15 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave. One under arrest for shoplifting and seven outstanding warrants. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (over tow), 11:56 p.m., 20 block of Claremont Avenue. A group of seven people interfering with the tow driver trying to tow a vehicle. Peace restored.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

SHOPLIFT (right now), 6:45 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Suspect issued a trespass notice, items returned to the store. Suspect sent on the way and advised.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (graffiti), 7:24 a.m., Hancock-Adams Common, 1301 Hancock St. City notified and removing graffiti.

DISORDER, 10:48 a.m., 220 block of Winthrop Street. Unable to locate any disturbance.

LARCENY (bike), 12:14 p.m., Lincoln Heights Condos, 175 Centre St. Report filed.

LARCENY (bike), 1:19 p.m., 160 block of South Street. Report filed.

SHOPLIFT (female), 5:41 p.m., TJ Maxx, 100 Granite St. Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on the way. Store to handle.

SHOPLIFT (two males), 6:16 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Two suspects issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

DISORDER (parking dispute), 7:29 p.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Vehicle in dispute is legally parked. Caller was the problem. Peace restored.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (house broken into), 400 block of Beale Street. Report filed.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

DISORDER (unruly customer), 12:49 a.m., Cathay Pacific, 111 Hancock St. One under arrest for assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest and disorderly

conduct. Brewster responded to cell block to evaluate the suspect. The suspect declined EMS.

DISORDER (over parking), 5:33 p.m., Hamilton House, 1025 Hancock St. Vehicle moved. Peace restored.

MONDAY, APRIL 8

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (house egged), 8:16 a.m., 1100 block of Sea Street. Does not wish to speak to the police. Just wants the incident documented.

LARCENY (FedEx package), 11:24 a.m., 10 Winter St. Report filed.

LARCENY (past), 11:46 a.m., Hancock Park Rehabilitation, 164 Parkway. Report filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PROGRESS (basement door kicked in), 1:18 p.m., 160 block of South Street. Report filed.

SHOPLIFT, 7:44 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

LARCENY, 11:22 p.m., MBTA Station Quincy Center, 1245 Hancock St. Both involved uncooperative, female party got her money back. Other person sent on way.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

DISORDER (male), 8:57 a.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Customer at the front desk upset at the staff. Peace restored.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (last seen April 8), 10:11 a.m., Keyes Street. Completed stolen motor vehicle form, report filed.

DISORDER (3 employees), 11:29 a.m., BJ's, Crown Colony Dr. Peace restored.

LARCENY (in the past), 1:24 p.m., 91 Clay St. Report filed.

DISORDER (2 kids, 1 adult), 2:52 p.m., Wollaston School, 205 Beale St. Report filed. Peace restored.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (dwelling), 3:47 p.m., 80 block of Darrow Street. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (male party), 4:01 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Strongly advised and sent on way. Store to handle.

WORKING FIRE (shed fire), 6:04 p.m., 1128 Sea St. Fire was mostly extinguished by owner prior to QFD and QPD arrival. QFD to handle.

SHOPLIFT (two males), 9:11 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on way. Store got items back.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PROGRESS (business), 10:59 p.m., McGue Excavating, 159 Brook Rd. Unable to locate suspect. Report filed.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (wallet), 3:20 p.m., South Cove Community Health, 435 Hancock St. Report filed.

SHOPLIFT (shoplifting), 6:54 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Suspect located at entrance to MBTA. Suspect arrested for shoplifting and an outstanding warrant. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (road rage/parking), 7:37 p.m., Eastern Bank, 63 Franklin St. Verbal argument over parking. Peace restored.

DISORDER (arguing), 10:02 p.m., Centre and West Streets. Large group fighting. All involved very uncooperative. Said something happened in Braintree but they are all going home now.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

DISORDER (4 males), 1:16 a.m., McDonald's, 275 Hancock St. Vehicle involved gone on arrival. Peace restored. Report filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PROGRESS (business), 1:45 a.m., BOS Auto, 112 Copeland St. Report filed.

LARCENY (stolen packages), 6:50 a.m., Edgewater Place Condos, 133 Commander Shea Blvd. Report filed. Unable to locate suspect.

LARCENY (credit cards), 8:22 a.m., 200 block of Franklin Street. Report filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 8:48 a.m., 30 block of Billings Street. Report filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (broken rear car window), 10:48 a.m., 308 Quarry St. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (left a Walkie Talkie), 1:11 p.m., 100 block of Atlantic Street. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (road rage), 3:08 p.m., Popeyes Chicken, 502 Southern Artery. Caller wanted the incident documented. Other involved person left the area.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 3:27 p.m., low numbers of Russell Street. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (verbal argument), 6:08 p.m., 30 block of Ruggles Street. Landlord having an argument with his alarm technician. Peace restored.

DISORDER (road rage), 6:56 p.m., Quincy Avenue and Southern Artery. Road rage incident. Peace restored. Advised.

LARCENY (package), 9:33 p.m., 145 Willard St. Received photos that packages were delivered around 2:30 p.m. Missing two packages out of group. Report to be filed.

City Working With Friends On Ruth Gordon Amphitheater Plans

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With the summer approaching, Murphy said his department has been working with Sara Trainor Callard, one of the leaders of the Friends group, on plans for the venue, including capital improvements.

"Our office has been meeting with Sara quite a bit. We've got a robust schedule that she's developed. She has been really a force of nature in breathing life back into the amphitheater," Murphy said. "The capital investment we've been discussing with the Friends, they have been working with us to take a practical look at what improvements can be made to that facility."

Murphy identified accessibility improvements and repairs to the masonry as two of the areas that are being looked at.

"One of the areas that we have a shared interest in is improving access. Accessibility 50 years ago wasn't the issue that it might be today. So, we're looking at building a ramp down to the mid-level. We can't quite engineer a ramp down to the stage at this point, but we've applied for community preservation money to bring in some contractors to help us design and build if you will a ramp to the middle set of stairs," Murphy said.

"Right now, we have our handicap seating section up on the top rim, but add some additional opportunities for folks with accessibility issues, mobility issues, to get to that middle tier. Ultimately, we'd like to address getting accessibility down to the stage, but that is a tremendous challenge given the nature of what we're dealing with with a bowl if you will and the elevation differences there and what it would take to get a ramp that was pitched and scaled appropriately down to the stage.

"The other piece of that is improving the mortar. Like any stone structure, through the years some of the mortar has eroded. We're taking a look at whether some of the city masons can handle that job or whether we should utilize some of that funding to bring in an outside outfit to do it all at once to make sure the color stays consistent throughout the whole piece."



RUTH GORDON AMPHITHEATER is named for the late American actress, screenwriter, and playwright who won an Academy Award in 1968 as best supporting actress in the film "Rosemary's Baby." Ruth Gordon, who was born in Quincy, attended the venue's dedication in November, 1984. It was her final public appearance in Quincy. Ruth Gordon died Aug. 28, 1985 at her summer home in Edgartown. She was 88. The City of Quincy and the Friends of the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater are collaborating to make improvements at the popular entertainment spot this year.

Quincy Sun File Photo/Robert Bosworth

"Quite frankly," Murphy added, "I think the Friends were skeptical in year one about the city's intentions based on the original announcement that there was contemplation that it was going to be repurposed. I think whether it's the mayor funding the programming there this summer and the upcoming year or it's him supporting the capital improvements, I think he sent a strong message that as long as he's the mayor, it's going to stay the amphitheater."

"That recommendation came from my department, not the mayor's office, and yet a lot of the blame was placed on the mayor's office when he's the one that told me no. If there is a villain in this story, it's me, and I've told the Friends of Ruth Gordon that as well, so I'm comfortable saying it publicly."

Murphy said he was happy that the venue wound up being reactivated following the community response to the potential demolition of the amphitheater.

"Frankly, I wish there was a discussion 15 years ago about repurposing it that would have led to this level of interest and enthusiasm for the spot," he said. "We had a tremendous year last year and if that's unfortunately what it took to activate that space, I'm happy of the result and because

of Sara and the work that she's done, they've really breathed life back into that place, which is great.

"Those Friday nights up there, there were hundreds of people up there for some of those concerts with the food trucks and other offerings on a Friday evening. It's one of the prettiest spots in the whole city."

"Process wise, it left a lot to be desired. Outcome

wise, we've very happy about it."

The amphitheater, the construction of which began in 1977 when Joseph LaRaia was mayor, was dedicated in 1984. The venue was named in honor of Gordon, a native of Quincy who had a successful career in Hollywood as an actress and screenwriter, winning the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress for her

role in "Rosemary's Baby" and the Emmy for Lead Actress in a Comedy Series for her role in "Taxi."

Murphy said he planned to discuss ways to recognize the 40th anniversary of the amphitheater's dedication with both the mayor and the Friends group.

"You saw some of the programming they did last year," Murphy said of the Friends. "They would actu-

ally honor some of the folks that tied back to the history of Ruth Gordon and they did some pretty cool and significant things with Mrs. LaRaia and the spyglass and some of the pieces up there.

"They are keenly aware of the history and tying it back in together, so I would look forward to having a conversation with Sara and the mayor about doing that."

"I think it makes perfect sense."

S.S. Children's Chorus Founder Receives Phyllis Godwin Women In Business Award

The South Shore Children's Chorus' Founder and Artistic Director, Kirsten Oberoi, was named the 2024 recipient of the Phyllis Godwin Women in Business Award at the Quincy Chamber of Commerce's 2024 Annual Meeting & Business Showcase held March 26th.

The award is named for Phyllis Godwin, former CEO and Chair, who built Granite City Electric Supply Company into the largest women-owned business in Massachusetts. Having acquired a long resume of firsts for women throughout her professional life, Phyllis is committed to giving back to inspire and support the next generation women-owned businesses like South Shore Children's Chorus.

During her acceptance speech Oberoi noted, "As women in business, we continue to climb the ladder of change with regard to traditional gender roles, and we expand beyond the binary lines that came before. The ladder we are climbing was built by Phyllis and incredible women just like her. For that I am forever grateful."

The South Shore Children's Chorus was honored



SOUTH SHORE CHILDREN'S Chorus' Founder and Artistic Director, Kirsten Oberoi (right) was named the 2024 recipient of the Phyllis Godwin Women in Business Award at the Quincy Chamber of Commerce's 2024 Annual Meeting & Business Showcase. With Oberoi are Sally Meehan Shobian, Phyllis Godwin's granddaughter (left); and Phyllis Godwin (center).

that Godwin, a lover of the arts, was moved by SSSC's mission during a time when many arts programs are struggling and will use the grant that accompanies this award to expand its year-round programming as its new initiatives are getting off the ground.

SSCC offers choral opportunities for K-12 in four locations - Quincy, Hanover, Sharon and Bridgewater; 17 classes per week for over 170 students. No audition is required and financial assistance is offered if needed.

To learn more about the SSSC, register for classes,

or help support the SSSC mission, visit: www.ssscchorus.org or contact: info@sscchorus.org. You can also follow SSSC on Facebook, Instagram and listen to Kirsten Oberoi's podcast: Choral Connectivity: A People-First approach to Singing.

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Learning Center On Pace For Summer Opening

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that we're going to be able to provide this world-class service for our students."

A design team comprised of parents, staff and administrators has been meeting to help plan for the opening of the new school, Perkins said, calling their work "instrumental." Among those on the design team is Kerri Connolly, currently the team administrator of the Amelio Della Chiesa Early Childhood Center, who Perkins announced would be the principal of the Dr. Rick DeCristofaro Learning Center.

"We are thrilled to have her," Perkins said. "Kerri has an extensive background in special education and early childhood, she has a master's degree in special education, and she has been running the Amelio Della Chiesa just absolutely beautifully for the last I don't even know how many years."

"We are just so excited to have her become the principal of our new building."

The district needs two separate approvals from the state before it can open, Perkins said, one for the pre-kindergarten component and one for the K-8 component.

The state needs to approve relocating the pre-kindergarten programs currently at the Della Chiesa Early Childhood Center and Point Webster Middle School to the new building as well as a change in the name of those programs that reflects the new location. Perkins said all the information for those changes has been submitted to the state, and the district is awaiting final approval.

The state must also approve the school system's initial application for the new K-8 program that the district plans to offer inside

the learning center. Leary said that application has 20 separate categories, each of which consists of several separate items. As of April 10, the district had completed 14 of the 20 categories, and officials planned to submit the application by the end of this week.

One of the categories that had yet to be completed is the policies and procedures manual. Leary said officials were in the process of proof-reading it, making changes to the format, and ensuring all the necessary information was in the document.

Another area that had not been completed was staffing. Leary said the list of staff would continue to be updated as staff are hired.

Committee member Courtney Perdios asked how far along the district is in when it comes to staffing the new school. Graham said they were 75 percent to 80 percent of the way there.

"We have done a lot of initial interviews and now Jen and Kerri and I are going back and doing the second round of interviews," Graham said. "We really want to make sure we are picking the highest quality staff that we can. I feel like Jen and I have interviewed easily up to 15 applicants for all different roles and really have been super meticulous in picking which staff we feel are the most highly qualified."

Graham said about half the staff would be existing Quincy Public Schools employees who relocate to the new building, and the other half would be new hires.

Leary said one of the decisions that officials worked with the design team to make was the curriculum, resource materials that will be used. They chose to go

with the Unique Learning System.

"This is a differentiated, standards-aligned, content curriculum resource for English language arts, math, social studies, and science," Leary said. "They also have a component called News to You which some of our teachers currently use, and that's more current events based, like newspaper articles, where students get to learn about current events."

Unique Learning System offers themed based instruction that includes printable activities, web-based activities and hands-on activities, Leary added.

Graham said officials also worked with the design team to pick a safety management program that would be used in the new school. The district currently uses the program offered by the Crisis Prevention Institute, she said, but opted to go with Welle Behavioral Safety Management in the new building.

They chose to go with that program, Graham said, because it focuses on strengthening student skills to decrease the frequency and intensity of behavioral incidents, it is a prevention-based program, provides tiered training for all staff, a local master trainer is available locally, and is currently used at the South Shore Educational Collaborative and is highly recommended by staff and families.

The district has developed partnerships with outside entities as it prepares to open the learning center, Graham said. The South Shore Autism Center has worked with the district on items like program development, Quincy After School Child Care will use the building for afterschool

programming, and graduate students from Curry College will be able to do their student teaching at the learning center.

Graham said she is in the process of putting together a professional development schedule for this summer for the staff of the new school. The district, in partnership with South Shore Autism Center, is also working to ensure paraprofessionals are highly trained.

The district hopes to open the new school for programming this summer with classes starting there in the fall, Graham said.

"Summer programming, we are going to move the pre-k to start there in the summer to give them the opportunity to kind of break the building in for us and that will allow our kindergarten through grade 8 staff to come in and do some trainings there, allow them to get the classrooms set up, allow families to come in,

allow SEPAC to set up their space, for a full opening in the fall of 2024," Graham said.

Perdios asked if the district needs state approval before it could open for summer programming. Perkins said the district does need approval from the state to do so, and she does not anticipate any issues with the application process.

Committee member Kathryn Hubley asked what the capacity for pre-k students would be in the new building. Perkins said the school has room for a total of 350 students and Della Chiesa and Point Webster have about 250 pre-k students between them.

"It will be pretty full," Perkins said. "We will have two classes that we are hoping would open in 25-26 as we continue to talk parents into 'you've had a year or you've had a few months of seeing how awesome this program is,' although I

will say the majority parents want their kids to go."

Mayor Thomas Koch said the plan to transition into the new building was the appropriate one.

"I never thought in a million years it would be this complicated. I say that respectfully. I know that means a lot of work had to be done on this," Koch said. "I was anxious to get in there, but I am pleased we are transitioning in such a good way. I think it makes sense for the families...that we didn't rush things. We wanted to get it right."

"This is going to be a little bit of a transition budget wise," the mayor added. "We talked about there's going to be some savings here. We don't know yet what that savings will be. We want to be fully equipped and staffed, so there may be some adjustments during the fiscal year as this thing comes to life."

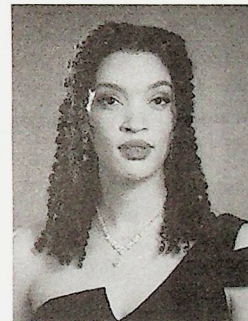
Milton Community Concert April 28 To Celebrate LGBTQ+ Stories

On Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. Milton Community Concerts will present an entertaining and diverse concert at First Parish of Milton, 535 Canton Ave.

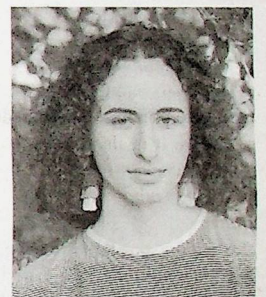
This benefit concert, "In Community: A Concert Celebrating LGBTQ+ STORIES", will support the Transgender Emergency Fund of Massachusetts. The program will feature musical theater favorites, jazz standards, concert songs, arias, and cabaret songs, primarily composed by LGBTQ+ composers.

Featured singers Michael Alexander Aoun, Nick Fahrenkrug, Morgan Mastroangelo, and Alexis Peart will join dancers Holly Stone and Michael Winward, and will be assisted by baritone Joel Clemens and pianist Timothy Steele.

This concert will share stories of both LGBTQ+ individuals and the community that are captivating, joyful, and heartbreaking. Composers include Stephen



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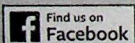
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Sondheim, Cole Porter, Billy Strayhorn, and Benjamin Britten. A song by Leonard Bernstein was recently featured on the soundtrack of the film "Maestro." A German cabaret song from 1920 called "Das Lila Lied" is considered one of the first gay anthems ever written. Some of the musicals featured are FUN HOME, A MAN OF NO IMPORTANCE, JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH, and FALSETTOS.

Tickets for this concert are Pay As You Can, available at the door only. A sug-

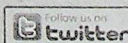
gested donation is \$20 general, \$10 senior, and free for 18 and under. Fifty-percent of the ticket revenue, as well as additional donations, will go to support the Transgender Emergency Fund (transemeregencyfund.org), which provides assistance for low-income and homeless transgender people living in Massachusetts. This concert is made possible by generous grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Milton Cultural Council. For more information visit miltoncommunityconcerts.com.

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Saturday, April 20
1:00pm: QHS vs. NQHS Baseball 4/16
8:30pm: The Reclaiming Folk

Sunday, April 21
11:30am: Quincy Point Church Good News
1:00pm: The Call

Monday, April 22
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
7:00pm: Road Less Traveled

Tuesday, April 23
7:00am: LIVE: AM Quincy with Joe Catalano
7:00pm: AM Quincy: Mayor Thomas Koch

Wednesday, April 24
6:00pm: Quincy Point Church Good News
7:00pm: The Call

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Tips For Removing Digital Data Clutter On Electronic Devices

By BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

The National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA) and the Better Business Bureau (BBB) offer the following tips for removing digital data clutter on electronic devices.

As many businesses and their employees are still working from home, focusing on cybersecurity and protecting sensitive information is critical. NCSA has advice on how to keep your private information safe.

If you have a few extra hours or minutes in your day, it may be a good time to give yourself a digital makeover. Taking simple, proactive steps will go a long way in safeguarding against potentially disruptive issues – like identity theft, loss of funds, or credit card fraud – that can cause mayhem by compromising your data. Take the time to practice a few precautionary measures, and you will have greater peace of mind – not only this spring but all year round.

NCSA and the BBB encourage people to check their smartphones, laptops, and tablets and offer these tips:

- **Lock down your login:** Security is critical to protecting accounts used for work and home. Ensure passphrases for each account are lengthy, unique, and safely stored. Enable 2-factor authentication on all accounts that offer it.

- **Update your system and software:** Avoid procrastination! The most current software, web browsers, and operating systems are some of the easiest and fastest ways to protect your most sensitive assets.

- **Back it up:** Protect your personal and workplace data by making electronic copies – or backups – of your most important files. Use the 3-2-1 rule to help guide you: 3 backup copies, two different media types, and one offline in a separate location.

- **Clean up your online presence:** When did you last use all the apps on your phone or tablet? Do you know the settings on all social media accounts that check in with friends and family? Check up on all your accounts. Then, control your role by ensuring you know who has administrative access to your accounts. Keep all of your passwords private.

- **Be careful what you share:** Quizzes on social media are fun, and keeping in touch is necessary. However, questions on social media might give away too much information about you, your location, or your family.

In addition to following the above-listed tips, small business owners should take time to establish, update, and communicate policies and procedures around topics like record retention. It is also imperative that a cybersecurity strategy is in place and used by all employees. BBB has tips on BBB.org/bizhq on how to avoid online scams when working from home.

BBB Secure Your ID Day

Did you know that protecting your identity is largely in your own hands? Many identity theft victims can trace the theft to something stolen from their possession. BBB has a few guidelines to help safely dispose of electronically stored data. Before participating in BBB's Secure Your ID Day or other shredding events, prepare your data.

Know what devices to digitally "shred": Computers and mobile phones aren't the only devices that capture and store sensitive, personal data. External hard drives and

USBs, tape drives, embedded flash memory, wearables, networking equipment, and office tools like copiers, printers, and fax machines all contain valuable personal information and stored images.

- **Clear out stockpiles:** If you have a stash of old hard drives or other devices – even in a locked storage area – information still exists and could be stolen. Don't wait: wipe and/or destroy unneeded hard drives immediately.

- **Empty your trash or recycle bin on all devices, and be sure to wipe and overwrite:** Simply deleting and emptying the trash isn't enough to eliminate a file. You must permanently delete old files. Use a program that deletes the data, "wipes" it from your device, and then overwrites it by putting random data in place of your information – which cannot be retrieved.

- Various overwriting and wiping tools are available for electronic devices. Remove any identifying information written on labels before disposal for devices like tape

drives. Use embedded flash memory or other methods to perform a full factory reset and verify that no potentially sensitive information exists on the device.

- **Decide what to do with the device:** Once the device is clean, you can sell it, trade it in, give it away, recycle it, or have it destroyed. Note the following:

- **Failed drives still contain data:** On failed drives, wiping often fails; shredding/destruction is the practical disposal approach for failed drives. Avoid returning a failed drive to the manufacturer; you can purchase support to keep it – and then destroy it.

- **To be "shredded," a hard drive must be chipped into small pieces:** Using a hammer to hit a drive only slows down a determined cybercriminal; instead, use a trusted shredding company to dispose of your old hard drives. Device shredding can often be the most time- and cost-effective option for disposing of many drives.

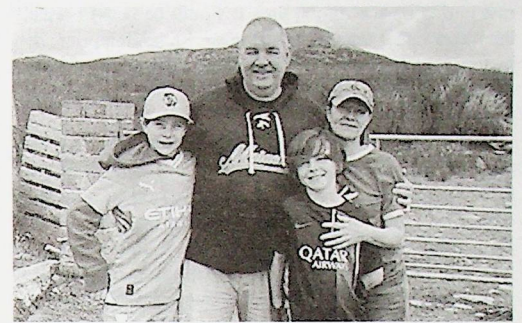
Benefit Saturday For Family Of Billy Mulkern

On Saturday, April 20th, the family and friends of Billy Mulkern are hosting A Night to Benefit the Mulkern Family. The event will be held at Florian Hall (55 Hallet St., Dorchester) and kicks off at 7 p.m.

This past fall Billy was diagnosed with clear cell carcinoma, a kidney-based cancer. Unfortunately, the cancer has metastasized requiring an aggressive treatment regimen. As a result, Billy is unable to work and will not be able to for the foreseeable future.

Widely regarded as an amazing husband, father and friend to many, Billy resides in Milton with his amazing wife Lynne and their two young boys, Joe (13) and Brendan (10). A native of North Quincy, Billy was a 1988 graduate of Archbishop Williams High School. He is the son of Ann and brother to Joe, Dan, and Sean.

In an attempt to offset the financial hardship incurred from lost wages, the Mulkern's family and friends organized the benefit. The event will feature a DJ, 50/50 raffle, silent auction, as well as traditional and specialized raffles. Some of the prizes available are a trip to Las Vegas, tick-



BILLY MULKERN FAMILY

ets to see Justin Timberlake, a summer backyard package, a rental home in Falmouth, Celtics playoff tickets, numerous golf and restaurant gift certificates and several other prizes. Tickets are \$20 and will be available at the door. Any questions can be directed to mulkernbenefit@gmail.com.

What's New At The Quarry Museum, Turning Mill

The Quarry Museum is developing a geology display in the newly constructed presentation building adjacent to the Quarry Museum building. The display features bedrock core samples running from the Berkshires to Massachusetts Bay.

This collection of core samples was from the late Dave Hodgdon's collection which he acquired over the years. There are over 50

samples of core samples that he polished to show the mineral and crystal structure of the different bedrocks of Massachusetts. Samples in the display are running from west to east with names of the towns and cities where the core sample was taken. Core samples were acquired from the Massachusetts Highway Departments road projects throughout the state and the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority's

tunneling projects throughout the state.

On display are two 4x6 foot maps titled "Bedrock Geologic Map of Massachusetts" Sheet 1 and 2 in color. It is very interesting to actually see all the variations of bedrock that lie under Massachusetts. On display also are samples of granite from the Fahey Granite Company which were samples that would be shown to customers ordering monuments.

The geology display also has interpretive information on Quincy granite showing the crystal structure and interpretive showing the evolution of the granite that we call "Quincy Granite."

The Lyons Turning Mill and museum is open the first weekend each month through November from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call the museum at 617-472-1322 and leave contact information.



Bonchon Opens New Korean Fried Chicken Restaurant in Quincy

Bonchon, a leader in Korean fried chicken, has opened its first Quincy restaurant at 65 Newport Ave., Suite 7.

The franchise brand's Quincy location is locally owned by franchisee Jack Tran. This is Tran's first restaurant location. Restaurant hours are Monday-Sunday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

"We look forward to welcoming people of all ages to enjoy Bonchon upon our opening and for years to come," says Tran. "We love this brand, culture, and food; and we want everyone in Quincy to 'Crunch Out Loud' when they experience the joy of eating Bonchon's famous Korean fried chick-

en."

Bonchon Quincy-Newport Ave. operates as a fast-casual restaurant. Guests can enjoy hand-brushed double-fried chicken in its signature sauces, traditional Korean entrees, fried rice, sides, ice cold beer, Korean Donuts, and more. A complete menu is available here.

In addition to bringing its signature Korean cuisine to Quincy, the new fast casual location will provide about 30 new jobs.

There are currently five Bonchon restaurant locations in Massachusetts, with one more coming soon in nearby Cambridge.

For more information on Bonchon visit <https://www.bonchon.com/>.

Rusty Rotors, Sudden Slowdowns, Start-Stop Feature

Ask John Paul: AAA New England's Car Doctor
Senior Manager, Public Affairs and Traffic Safety

I went for an oil change and tire rotation on my 2019 Lexus NX300 at the Lexus dealer. The technician showed me surface rust forming on the front rotors and the tech recommended that I resurface the front rotors at a price of \$400. Isn't this price quite excessive just for the labor charge of resurfacing and not replacing the rotors? My car only has 18,000 miles. I like dealing with this dealer, but should I tell him that new rotors don't even cost this much and is this his best price?

Resurfacing brake rotors removes metal and less metal means the rotors are more likely to distort due to heat. If the car stops normally and is quiet (except for the first couple of brake applications) I wouldn't worry about it. All brake rotors will get a light coating of rust when allowed to sit. Generally normal driving removes the rust. If it is very deep rust pitting on the rotors, then it would be best to replace the rotors rather than resurface them. Regarding price, new factory rotors are about \$91 each, plus labor, about the same price you were quoted for resurfacing your existing brake rotors.

I'm by no means a gearhead or "car guy." I didn't even get my license until I was 37. I own a 2019 Subaru Crosstrek, it runs great, and I do my best to take good care of it. One thing I knew when I purchased it is that the engine is a little under-powered. I didn't buy it to win any races, but when I'm merging onto a highway it sometimes drags a little bit. Is there anything low impact I could do to give it a few more horses? The manual doesn't specify high octane fuel, but I do fill with the premium stuff some of the time. I don't really notice a difference. I know in later models of Crosstreks, they put a larger engine in it and I'm not currently interested in purchasing a new one. But if I could give it a little more oomph now and again.

There is really nothing you can do; the 152-horsepower engine isn't bad, but the transmission is designed to balance fuel economy and performance. You are correct, the newer models have 30 more horsepower and a bit more torque. As you pointed out it makes no sense to waste money on premium fuel – it won't increase horsepower. The only horsepower gains would come from a new air intake system, lower restriction exhaust system, and the addition of a turbo charger. These are all expensive modifications and nothing I would recommend for day-to-day driving.

I have a transmission that acts odd from time to time. It is an older Dodge truck. I dropped the pan and changed the fluid and filter, but still acts up. Any thoughts on transmission additives?

One of the most popular transmission additives is from Lucas-Lucas Transmission Fix. I have heard from readers over the years about how this additive smoothed out issues, eliminated transmission flaring between gears and even slowed or stopped leaks. It is relatively inexpensive and certainly worth a try.

I have seen you mention some products and tools in your column and nearly all are favorable. Curious are these things sent to you for evaluation or do you buy them for your own use?

It really is a combination of both. Sometimes doing a project I will buy a tool I don't have to make the job easier. Recently I was fixing some under dash wiring and purchased a automatic wire stripper which made the work much easier in such a limited space. Sometimes I will get a tool/device for evaluation. If it is good I will mention it, if it is not, I may not mention it, or simply tell readers not to waste their money. Unfortunately, there are some social media posts that promise automotive "miracles" but deliver almost nothing.

Do you have a car question?

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A question on wife's car - a 2018 Subaru. The tire symbol lights up on dash after driving about 3 or 4 miles. All tire pressures have been checked twice with a Ryobi battery handheld air pump and double checked with a digital pressure gauge. Could it be a sensor in one of the tires? We have replaced one already.

The average life of a direct style tire pressure sensor is 7-10 years, so it sounds a little early but is certainly possible that one sensor is not transmitting properly. This can be a bit tricky to test if the issue is only intermittent. At this point continue what you are doing and check the air pressure on a regular basis until the light stays steady. Once this happens a technician with the proper tool will be able to isolate the failing sensor.

My father listens to your radio program and said to reach out to you with a question. My husband's car suddenly slowed down. It has happened twice on the highway. He'll be driving the slowdown happens, he pulls over to the breakdown lane, and the car barely moves. Any ideas?

The could be the result of a weak fuel pump, faulty sensor, or even the beginning of a catalytic converter issue. It could also be a bit of a driver error. In many cars today, if you left foot brake or your foot lands on the brake pedal while still on the accelerator the car will lose power for several seconds and then return back to normal.

I'm the keeper of six cars, one boat and a Quad in my family and you recommended a scan tool in the past and it has worked out well. One of the scan tool functions is a battery test. It seems okay, and will state good or bad, but I want to see more. I want to read amp ratings and would like to test the boat and Quad battery. Any thoughts?

The tester we use at AAA is made by B2Q and is very accurate, but pricey and the one I would always recommend for a professional. Recently I have been using a battery tester from Topdon (a company I never head of until they sent me one). The tester is the Topdon BT100 and I have tested several good batteries and about a dozen "bad" batteries. My testing included a 12-volt Prius AGM battery, marine batteries, full sized AGM batteries and conventional batteries and so far, the testing is quite accurate when compared to more expensive tools. The one possible shortcoming is that the readings are not temperature compensated, which could mean that batteries tested at very hot or very cold temperatures may not be as accurate as a 70 degree day. This tester is about \$60 and recently sells refurbished online for \$30.

I was wondering if you had any insight on this recall. I received a recall notice on my 2013 Hyundai Elantra back in October. The recall number is NHTSA 23V651000. It relates to the antilock brakes and brake fluid. As of today, Hyundai still does not have a fix for this. Have heard anything, or do you have any insight on this, i.e., why it's taking so long for them to find a fix for it?

The majority of the notifications went out in November, and it isn't unusual for the repair parts to take six months or more to ramp up. An example in our family we have a 2015 Volkswagen with an airbag recall. The recall is over a year old and just now the dealers are starting to have parts available for the repair. The recall on your car has to do with fluid leaking internally into the antilock brake system and there is a possibility of an electrical fire. Looking at the recall infor-



JOHN PAUL
AAA's Car Doctor

mation, the repair looks relatively simple and similar to one I had on my own car where the dealer replaced the antilock brake fuse and fuse box cover. I would call the 800 number for Hyundai customer assistance to get an update, since this repair seems relatively simple. If there is any consolation of the 3.3 million Hyundai and Kia vehicles, there have been 22 cases of smoke or fire, and no injuries or crashes. Although it's a safety recall and it should absolutely be performed, the chance of something happening based on the case numbers are very low.

I am hoping you can help me with a reoccurring problem I have with my 2009 Chevy Malibu. The headlights are constantly not working. First one will not go on and then the other one will not work. We have changed the wires and tightened up the bulbs, but it still happens. The lights are not dead because if I press the unlock button on the car, both headlights will go on. But if I start the car usually one of them will go out again. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

The connectors to the headlights (low beams) have been especially problematic. After checking them for signs of melting I would check the four fuses, associated wiring, and ground connections. Although each headlight has its own power supply, the four bulbs share two grounding points. I would remove those ground wires and clean the connections of any rust and corrosion.

My car has the very annoying start stop feature and I am concerned how it will shorten the life of the starter and battery. Should I be?

The battery in most cars with the stop start feature is an AGM battery that is better suited to this feature. The starter is also specially designed to withstand the frequent starting. I recently saw a video of a Toyota technician and YouTuber who answered a similar question. She mentioned that on some Toyota products at a certain time, the check engine light will come on and set a code for the starter replacement. This happens after 384,000 starting cycles. This to me looks like about 20-22 starts per day for 50 years. Based on this number, the starting system sounds pretty robust.

I have a 2019 Jeep Cherokee with 39,000 miles. A few months back my service stability control light came on. I went to my local mechanic, and he scanned the computer and said you need an update and only the dealership can perform that update. I took my car to the dealership and when they called me later that day it was diagnosed that the rack and pinion steering system had to be replaced at a cost of \$3,700. The car drove perfectly with no issues; any thoughts on this?

The system uses information from the steering angle sensor, at the top of the column as well as wheel sensors, so I am not sure why the entire rack and pinion steering would need replacement. The issue can be mechanical or electrical and I would like to see more testing to confirm this expensive diagnosis. Regarding the dealer being the only one that can update the software, today independent shops can "re-flash" computers providing they have the correct tools and access to the software.

I have a 2020 Ford Edge ST with the 2.7-liter engine. The vehicle has 38,500 miles on it. I purchased an extended warranty for this vehicle as it has extensive electronics. The check engine light came on and I brought it to my mechanic. He came up with numerous codes P0496 (EVAP) and U3003-16, U3003-17, and U0452-86 (ABS system). I was told by the warranty company that the EVAP system is not covered, which I do not understand. Any ideas?

The purge valve (EVAP code) would have been covered by the 3/36,000 emissions warranty which has now expired. Perhaps the extended warranty does not cover emissions control parts? As for the other codes those typically indicate an issue with the CAN Bus wiring due to low voltage. The issue can be as simple as a faulty battery.

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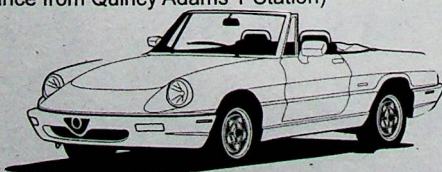
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Grow Fruit In Containers

By MELINDA MYERS

Have fun and enjoy picking fresh fruit right outside your door thanks to compact varieties you can grow in containers. Just clear some space on your patio, deck, balcony, or front steps that receives at least six hours of sunlight and get busy planting.

Consider starting with strawberries. They provide seasonal interest with their white flowers, red berries, and brilliant fall color. Day-neutral and everbearing strawberries produce fruit throughout the summer and grow well in strawberry pots, containers, and hanging baskets. Place the containers where you can enjoy their beauty and easily harvest and enjoy a few berries on your cereal, as an afternoon snack, or atop your favorite dessert.

Include a few of the relatively new compact berry bushes suited to containers and small spaces. Raspberry Shortcake grows two to three feet tall and wide and is thornless which makes harvesting a breeze. They produce a bumper crop on new plant growth each season.

Baby Cakes blackberry is another thornless space-

saving berry plant. Like Raspberry Shortcake it grows two to three feet tall and wide and is thornless. The white flowers and tasty fruit that form on old growth make Baby Cakes a nice addition to any outdoor space.

Grow compact blueberries in pots adding pretty flowers, edible fruit, and great fall color to your patio, deck, or balcony. Blueberries prefer moist, well-drained acidic soil that many of us do not have in our gardens but can provide these ideal conditions when growing in containers. You only need one plant to have fruit but growing two will more than double the harvest.

Use narrow and columnar dwarf apples as a living screen or vertical accent. The Urban Apple series, Spire apples, North Pole, and Sentinel varieties are all suited to growing in containers and small spaces. The trees grow about eight to ten feet tall and only several feet wide. The trunk is loaded with short branches and lots of fruiting spurs for easy harvesting. You will need two different varieties of most apples, including these, for cross-pollination to occur and fruit to develop.

Grow your compact berry bushes in pots 12 to 16 inches in diameter and at least ten inches deep. As the plants grow and mature, move them into larger, 20 to 24" containers. Your columnar apples will appreciate a bigger container that is 20 inches wide and deep.

Use pots with drainage holes and fill them with a quality potting mix. Check soil moisture daily and water thoroughly whenever the top few inches of soil are starting to dry. Reduce ongoing maintenance by incorporating an organic moisture-retaining product like Wild Valley Farms wool pellets (wildvalleyfarms.com) into the potting mix. This sustainable product reduces watering by up to 25% and increases air space for healthier growth.

Supplement the nutrients in Wild Valley Farms wool pellets as needed with a low nitrogen, slow-release fertilizer and eliminate weekly fertilization. Add the slow-release fertilizer soon after planting and again mid-season if needed. Do not fertilize in late summer as that can stimulate late-season growth that can be damaged in winter.

Those gardening in cold



COMPACT VARIETIES of raspberries and other fruit are well suited to being grown in containers and small spaces. Photo courtesy MelindaMyers.com

climates will need to provide extra winter protection. Insulate the roots by grouping plants together and surrounding them with bales of straw, bags of potting mix, or similar materials. Or move plants to an unheated garage for winter and water whenever the soil is thawed and dry.

Another option is to grow these plants in nursery pots and set them in decorative containers for summer. When winter arrives, move the potted plants out of the decorative containers and

sink the nursery pots in a vacant part of the garden. Lift the plants out of the ground in spring and set them back in their decorative containers for the growing season.

As you master these fruit plants, and if space allows, expand your small-scale orchard to include citrus, figs, dwarf cherries, plums, and peaches. You'll enjoy the flowers, shade and of course the tasty fruit.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest

Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Wild Valley Farms for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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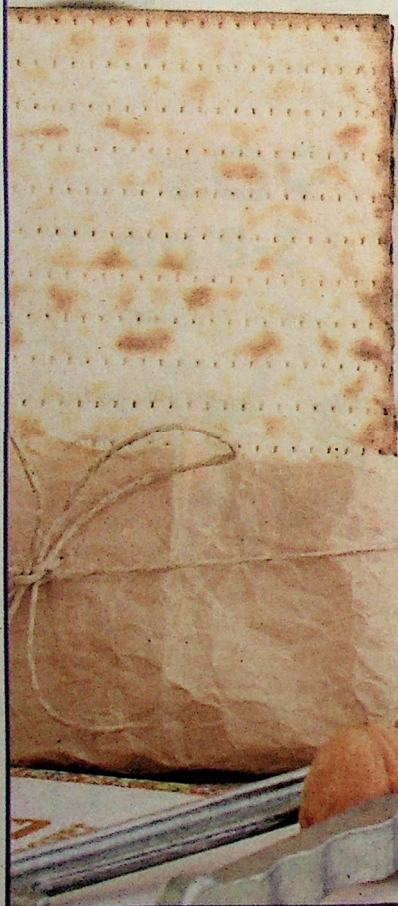
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Quincy Residents Seek City Council Ceasefire Resolution

(Editor's note: The following article was submitted as a press release from the group Members of Quincy for a Free Palestine.)

Since Israel's military siege on the Gaza strip began six months ago, the death and destruction there has been relentless and seems to have no end in sight. Israel has killed over 33,000 Palestinians (including more than 13,000 children), and thousands more are missing or buried under the rubble and presumed dead. Most of the population is displaced and suffering from mass starvation caused by the Israeli military's blocking of humanitarian aid.

Members of Quincy for a Free Palestine, a grass-roots group of Quincy residents who are concerned about the crisis in Gaza, have been organizing since February to try to get the Quincy City Council to join other cities around the state and country to adopt a Ceasefire in Gaza Resolution. Members of the group have been collecting signatures from Quincy residents through a petition, emailing and calling city councillors, and attending City Council meetings, but so far none of the city councillors has responded to requests to sponsor the resolution, with several stating that this is not what they were elected to do. Members of the group disagree.

"Although it might seem that geopolitical issues like Gaza are out of the domain of local elected officials, billions of dollars of our tax money is funding the genocide in Gaza," said Sue Doherty, one of the group's organizers. "That money could be going instead to things that we need here in Quincy and Massachusetts, such as repairs to our infrastructure and more money for education. Also, many members of the Quincy community have connections to Palestine, and many others like me are just sick about what is happening in Gaza and want it to stop. This is the time for all elected officials to take a strong stand for justice and humanity."

The purpose of these ceasefire resolutions is to create upward pressure on the federal administration through local grassroots efforts. Over 100 towns and cities in the United States have already endorsed ceasefire resolutions, including Medford, Somerville, Cambridge, and several towns in Western Massachusetts.

The Quincy resolution



QUINCY RESIDENTS Joe Herosy and George Hallack, members of the grass-roots group "Members of Quincy for a Free Palestine," at the group's stand-out April 6 at the Hancock-Adams Common. The group is asking the City Council to adopt a ceasefire in Gaza Resolution.

Photos Courtesy Sue Doherty

calls for "an immediate and sustained ceasefire in Gaza, an end to the Israeli military siege of the Gaza Strip, the release of all Israeli and Palestinian hostages and detainees, the removal of obstacles to urgently-needed humanitarian aid entering Gaza, and an end to unconditional United States military aid to the Israeli government." It also calls for the clerk of the city council to send a copy of the resolution to President Joseph Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Senator Edward Markey, and Representative Stephen Lynch.

"This is not about scoring a political stand or being with or against a certain narrative," said George Hallack, a Quincy resident whose family was expelled from Palestine in the 1948 Nakba, when Israel drove 750,000 Palestinians out of their homeland. "It's only about humanity. It's about children. Here in America, if a pet is hit by a car, humanity comes out. What really confuses me is why this humanity does not come out when a Palestinian child is murdered or crushed under the rubble of his family home."

"I'm very proud to have been a property owner since 1992 in Quincy," he continued. "Just like Quincy is one

of the first cities to be incorporated in Massachusetts, it should be one of the first to come out on the side of humanity. I want Quincy to be on the right side of history."

In addition to working to get a ceasefire resolution endorsed by the City Council, members of Quincy for a Free Palestine demonstrate for a permanent ceasefire every Saturday morning from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Hancock Street in front of City Hall Plaza. All who are concerned about this issue are welcome to join them.

For more information about the ceasefire resolution or about Quincy for a Free Palestine, stop by the demonstration on a Saturday morning, or contact them by email at quincyforaceasefireresolution@gmail.com.



QUINCY RESIDENTS and others – some holding the flag of Palestine – demonstrate for a cease fire in Gaza April 6 on the Hancock-Adams Common.



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The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 294, Morristown American Legion Post in Quincy has resumed selling engraved honor and memorial bricks for its "Bricks for Veterans" at Flags for Veterans Island, Fort Square, Quincy.

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NORTH QUINCY'S Eugene Foong goes high to return a shot over Quincy's Tyler Galecia. The Raiders defeated the Presidents 3-1 April 10 to improve to 3-3. Quincy dropped to 1-4.

NQ Boys' Volleyball Tops Quincy

By TOM JOYCE

For much of the match, the North Quincy High boys' volleyball team played from ahead.

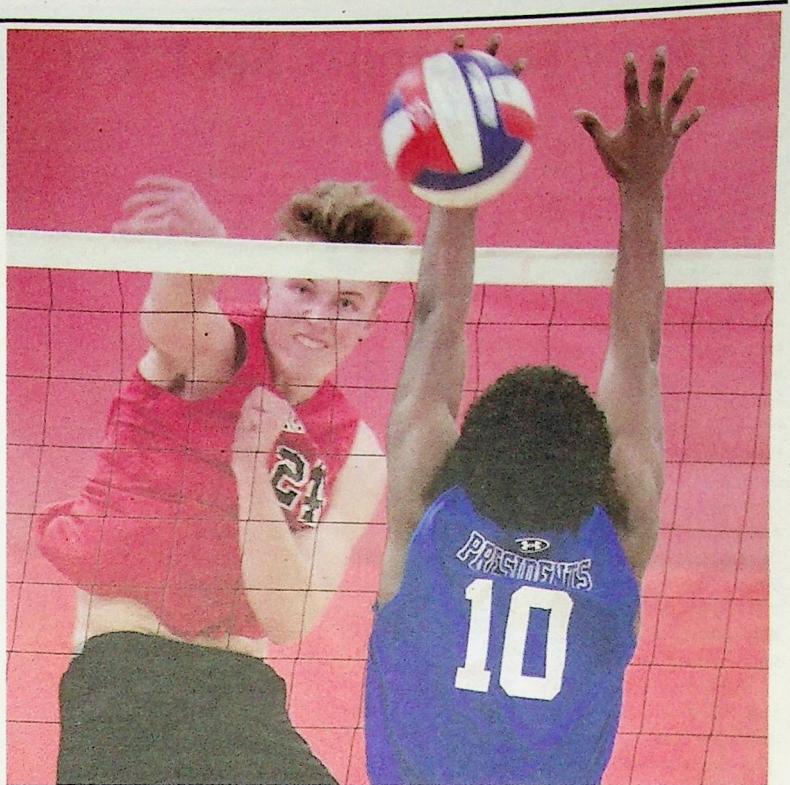
The Raiders got off to some strong starts, and it proved beneficial in their in-city rivalry matchup on April 10. The Raiders hosted the Quincy Presidents, and while the two sides competed hard, the Raiders

got the better of their opponent. The Raiders defeated the Presidents 3-1, taking the final two sets of the match. With the win, the Raiders improved to 3-3 on the season. With the loss, the Presidents fell to 1-4.

The Raiders were dominant in the first set, taking it 25-12. Leading 12-9 early in the set, they pulled away with a 6-0 run. Dur-

ing the run, Cameron Johnston was sharp. He had a kill and three straight aces while serving, getting the Raiders four points. Additionally, the Presidents had a hitting error, and a block from Loukas Fehan and Justin Liu made it an 18-9 set. Raymond Lin capped off the set with an ace, putting the Raiders up 1-0.

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NORTH QUINCY'S Cameron Johnston slams a kill shot against Quincy's Farudji Pierre in the Raiders' 3-1 win over the Presidents April 10. Quincy Sun Photos/Larry Carchedi



QUINCY'S Adam Bonica returns a shot past North Quincy's Anthony Chiu.



NORTH QUINCY'S Xuan Chen (10) and Anthony Chiu (23) go up for a block against Quincy's Jake Basan.

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However, the Presidents responded with a set victory.

With the second set tied at 19 apiece, the Presidents pulled ahead.

A kill from Adam Bonica gave the Presidents the lead, and an ace from Devin Stewart while serving gave them a two-point edge. The Raiders then got a point, but a kill from Jake Basan and back-to-back aces from Justin Dinh put the Presidents up by three. The Presidents eventually won the set 25-22 on a serving error by the Raiders.

Though the Raiders dropped the second set, they came back strong in the third. After the two sides started the set by trading points, the Raiders pulled ahead with a 10-1 run that gave them an 11-2 edge. Johnston capped off that run with back-to-back aces while serving. After that, the set was highly competitive, though the deficit was too big for the Presidents to overcome. The Raiders ended up winning it 25-13.

The Raiders also took the fourth and final set of the game 25-19. With things tied at four apiece early in the set, the team pulled ahead -- and protected its lead. Johnston had a kill and an ace. Justin Liu got a point on a block, and Loukas Fehan added a kill.

To close out the game, Anthony Chiu had a kill, and the Raiders recovered from a serving error when Johnston had a kill to end the set -- and the game.

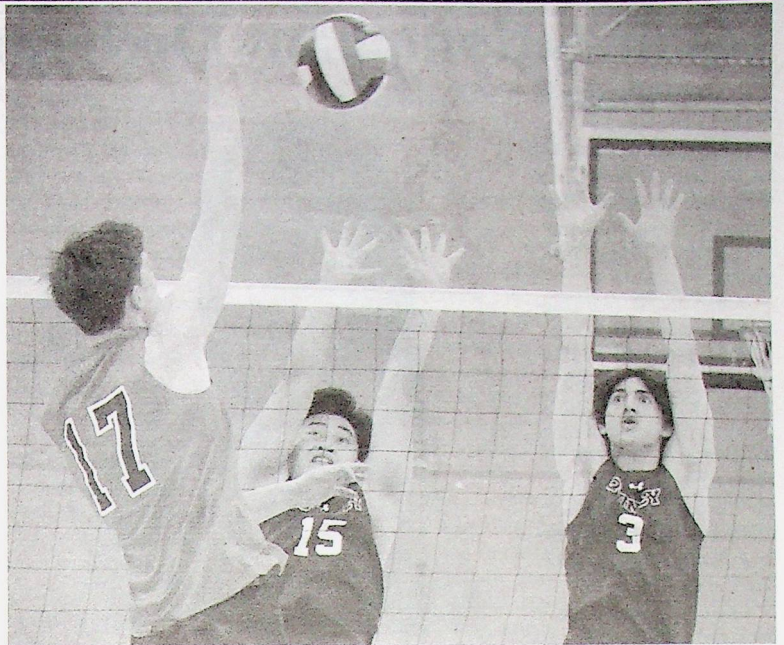
This marked the first matchup of the season between the two Quincy schools. The second one will take place on Wednesday, May 8 at Quincy High School (6:30 p.m. start time).

The roster for the Presidents this season includes:

senior middle hitter Ross Mwafurirwa, junior captain and defensive specialist Devin Rong, junior middle hitter Gabriel Gentil, junior middle hitter Josue Silva, senior defensive specialist Eric Nguyen, freshman outside hitter Farudji Pierre, senior captain and outside hitter Adam Bonica, senior setter/right-side hitter Robin Roldan, senior right-side hitter Victor Pereira, junior setter Justin Dinh, senior captain and defensive specialist Devin Stewart, senior setter Dylan Vo, sophomore middle/outside hitter Tyler Galecia, sophomore outside hitter and captain Jake Basan, and senior right-side/outside hitter Henry Tran. Jacqui Niosi is the team's head coach.

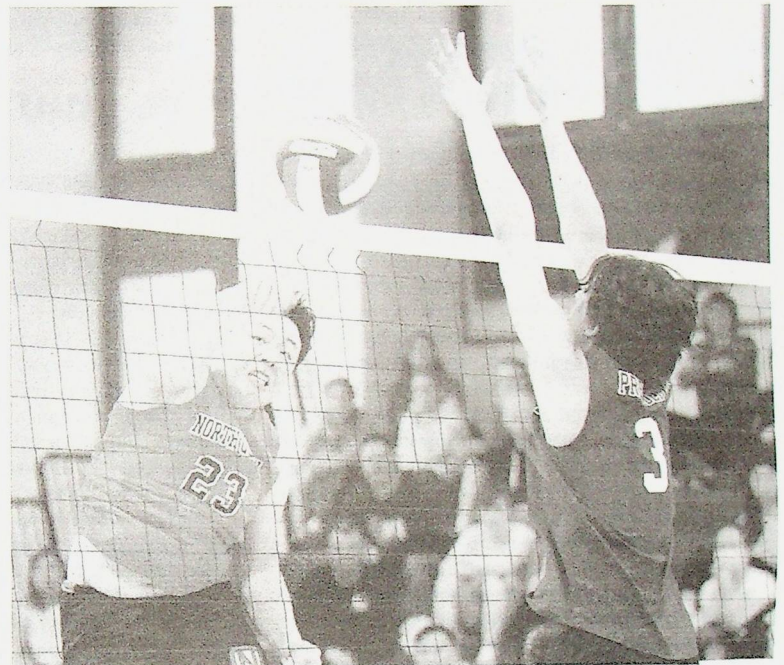
The roster for the Raiders this season includes: junior Brandon Wu, senior Raymond Lin, senior Eric Zhao, freshman Ryan Thong, senior Xuan Chen, senior Victor Liao, senior Arli Dylja, freshman Jaden Li, junior Eugene Foong, senior Thomas Ford, senior Loukas Fehan, senior Justin Liu, freshman Anderson Chen, senior captain Anthony Chiu, senior captain Cameron Johnston, senior Steven Chen, senior Ben Walinjom, and freshman Armado Vega. Megan Johnston is the team's head coach.

The Raiders will host Milford Monday, April 22 (5:45 p.m. start time). The Presidents will host Braintree Monday, April 22 (5:15 p.m. start time).



QUINCY'S Justin Dinh (15) and Gabriel Gentil (3) go up for a block against North's Dylan Vo in the second set.

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NORTH QUINCY'S Anthony Chiu drops a kill shot in the second set.



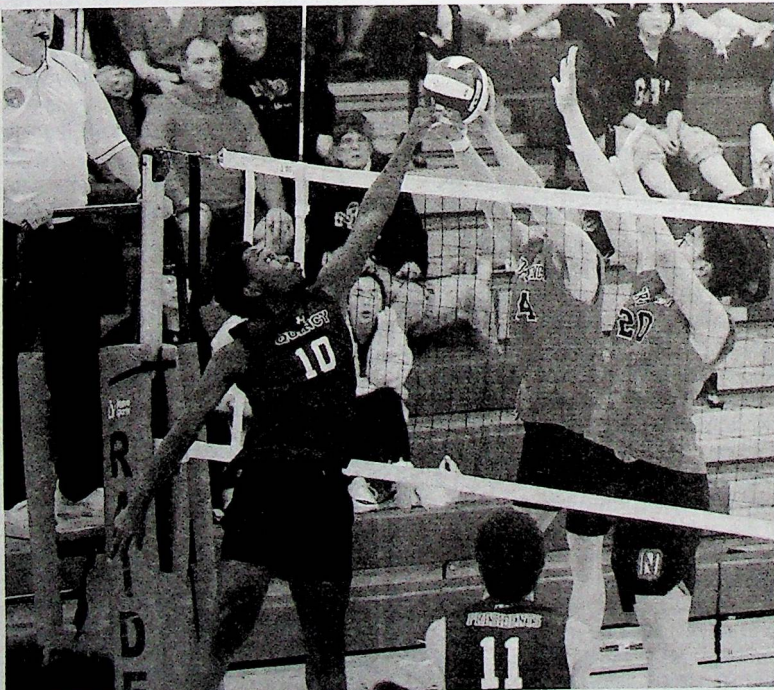
QUINCY'S Devin Rong receives a serve in the fourth set.



NORTH QUINCY'S Raymond Lin receives a serve with teammate Cameron Johnston looking on.



QUINCY'S Jake Basan serves in the fourth set.



QUINCY'S Farudji Pierre gets to the ball at the same time as North's Eugene Foong and Justin Liu in the third set.

Quincy Symphony Orchestra Concert April 28 At QHS

The final concert of the Quincy Symphony Orchestra's 70th season will be on Sunday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. at Quincy High School's Lloyd Hill Auditorium, 100 Coddington St., Quincy.

Admission is free (suggested donation).

The QSO will be performing Symphony No. 5 by Tchaikovsky. In addition the QSO is proud to present the winner of the 2024 Eleanor B. Nelson Young Artist Concerto Competition. Claire Lee will perform the Prokofiev Violin Concerto No. 1 in D.

Claire Lee, age 18, is a dedicated violinist in Newton, who studies under Fudeko Cohler. This fall, she will attend Vanderbilt University, majoring in violin performance as a student of Carolyn Huebl, embarking on a journey toward realizing her dream of becoming a professional musician. She has also been mentored



CLAIRE LEE

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by several notable violinists, including Yiliang Jiang, Minchae Kim, Yuna Kim, and Juhee Lee.

Claire has won top prizes in several notable music competitions in addition to the Eleanor B. Nelson Concerto Competition, proving herself as a serious violinist. She won the Montgomery Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition, the MTNA State Performance Competition, and the MMTA Bay State Strings Contest. She was also a finalist in the United States Marine Band Concerto Competition and the Sejong Cultural Society Music Competition. She has been invited to perform as a soloist with numerous orchestras, including the Montgomery Symphony

Orchestra, the Wellesley Symphony Orchestra, and the Haven Music Ensemble.

To further develop her violin skills, she spent her summers at various music festivals and camps, including the Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival, the Meadowmount School of Music, the Bowdoin International Music Festival, the Argus Quartet Summer String Intensive, the Boston University Tanglewood Institute, the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra Summer Camp, and The Rivers School Conservatory Summer Music Program.

As she is also a committed chamber and orchestra musician, she participates in the premier youth music programs in the New England area, including the

Boston Philharmonic Youth Orchestra and the Rivers School Conservatory's Honors ChamberMusicLab. This year, as the Assistant Manager of ChamberMusicLab, she is involved in organizing the program and planning recitals. In 2022, she served as the Assistant Principal Violinist of the Massachusetts All-State Orchestra. Furthermore, she is an active music volunteer who deeply cares about sharing her love of music with the community.

She would like to thank her parents and younger sister for their encouragement and for putting up with her habit of practicing violin at 1 a.m.

For more information visit QuincySymphonyOrchestra.org.

By 4-2 Vote, Lunar New Year Will Not Be A School Holiday

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him some time to warm up to the idea of adding the holiday because he was concerned about what would happen if the district had too many snow days, but Quincy has had fewer snow days in recent years than in the past.

Quincy has long been a city of immigrants, Koch added, and the city respects all its cultures. He said it was time to honor the Asian American community by adding the holiday.

"I do believe we respect everybody in the city, but it's that issue of going that little extra mile, honoring that newest immigrant group to our city. They are here in large numbers. They're contributing to the city in so many ways," Koch said. "With that, I will be voting against calendar as proposed because it does not include the Lunar New Year."

The motion to move the question ultimately failed in a 3-3 vote, with Gutro—who said he wanted to explain the reasoning for his vote on the calendar—joining Koch and Perdios in voting against it.

Gutro said the school calendar treats all cultures and religions the same and

includes a list of major religious and cultural observances, like Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Diwali, Eid al-Fitr and Lunar New Year, among others. If the school system were to close for a new holiday, it should also be a holiday for city employees, he said.

"My feeling is if we choose to value one cultural or religious holiday over another, that we should make it a citywide holiday so an entire family could celebrate," Gutro said. "I don't understand how you value a culture if the student has the day off but the parent who works for the Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works Department, Parks Department, Treasurer's Office and so on don't get the same day off."

"So those employees go to work while their kids are at home, they need to pay someone to watch the kid or use a vacation day. What's a vacation day? In Quincy Public Schools language, it's an excused absence."

In addition, Gutro said that Good Friday, currently a day on which schools are closed, should no longer be treated differently from other holidays. At the next School Committee meeting, Gutro said he planned to in-

troduce a motion to ask the superintendent to add Good Friday to the list of topics that will be discussed in the next round of negotiations with the unions that represent school employees.

Lebo, who said Quincy will have its first community celebration of the Hindu festival of Holi next month, said she would prefer the schools only be closed on state and federal holidays.

"I would personally not have to discuss this again and say our policy is that we follow the state and federal holidays, because we're making holidays up," Lebo said. "Should we make Holi a holiday next year because we have a population in Quincy that's celebrating it and is asking for some cultural recognition?"

Perdios said she would support having a discussion about school holidays in the school board's equity, diversity and inclusion subcommittee. Koch said removing holidays from the school calendar could create issues.

"Just like we're talking about a lot of people being out the day of Lunar New Year, which creates an issue, if we take one away, there are folks that are going to be out that day that we're going to have concerns about

not only...the students but the teachers who may be celebrating that," the mayor said. "As you know, we have challenges filling sub spots now."

Among those who spoke during the open forum section of the April 10 meeting was Frank Santoro, a former member of the School Committee. Brookline does not have school on Jewish holidays because of low attendance on those days, he said, and Boston has no school on March 17, not because it is Evacuation Day, but because it is St. Patrick's Day.

"All the cities and towns across the state as well as country where there is a large Asian population, they establish Lunar New Year so families can celebrate with their children on that day," Santoro said. "We too should do the same."

City Councillor Nina Liang was among those who wrote letters to the School Committee in support of closing schools on Lunar New Year. She said elected officials are elected to be the voices of their constituents.

"The majority of the population in our schools

identify as AAPI, and the students have made their voices heard ad nauseum on this matter. They are the future of this city, and we have a responsibility to them," Liang said. "We are elected to represent the voices of the people, and the people—the students—have spoken. Who are we to ignore them? What message do we send if we tell them no to a simple effort at equity and respect?"

Ben Hires, the CEO of the Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center, also submitted a letter to the School Committee. He said that Lunar New Year "is one of the most significant cultural celebrations observed by millions of people around the world, particularly those of East Asian descent."

"In our diverse and inclusive school community, it is imperative that we honor and respect the traditions and cultures of all our students, staff and families," Hires said. "By recognizing Lunar New Year as a school holiday, we not only acknowledge the importance of this cultural celebration but also demonstrate our commitment to fostering an

environment of inclusivity and understanding."

According to the calendar for the 2024-25 school year approved by the committee, the first day of school for students in grades 1-9 will be Sept. 4. Students in grades 10-12 will begin classes on Sept. 5. Orientation for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten is Sept. 6 and the first day of classes for those grades is Sept. 9.

The last day for high school seniors will be June 2. The final day for other students would be June 18 if there are no snow days and, if five days of school need to be made up, the last day for students would be June 26.

Schools will be closed on Oct. 14 for Columbus Day; Nov. 5 for Election Day; Nov. 11 for Veterans Day; Nov. 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving; Jan. 20 for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day; April 18 for Good Friday; May 26 for Memorial Day; and June 19 for Juneteenth.

Winter recess will run from Dec. 21 through Jan. 1. February vacation will run from Feb. 15 through Feb. 23. April vacation will run from April 19 through April 27.

AAA: Massachusetts Gas Prices Up Five Cents

Buckle up — northeast gas prices are about to hit a bump in the road.

Gasoline prices, already on a seasonal upward trajectory, could spike by double digits this week once the switch to summer blend fuel officially occurs. Summer blend fuel, which helps reduce particulate emissions in warmer weather, is more costly to produce than its winter counterpart.

An indication of what to expect: summer blend is currently trading at a 30-cent premium compared to winter blend in New York

Harbor—one of the major trading ports that services the northeast.

The average gas price in Massachusetts is up five cents over last week (\$3.32), averaging \$3.37 per gallon. Monday's price is 10 cents higher than a month ago (\$3.22), and two cents lower than April 8, 2023 (\$3.39). Massachusetts's average gas price is 26 cents lower than the national average.

"Oil prices took a slight breather last week, falling by about one percent, but it could just be a rest stop on the way to higher prices," said Mark Schieldrop, Senior Spokesperson for AAA Northeast. "Escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and expectations for strong seasonal gasoline demand could move markets higher."

AAA Northeast's April 15 survey of fuel prices found the current national average to be up four cents from last week (\$3.59), averaging \$3.63 a gallon. Monday's national average price is 20 cents higher than a month ago (\$3.43), and three cents higher than this day last year (\$3.66).

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Holi Festival Celebrates Cultural Diversity May 5

The vibrant hues of spring are about to paint the city of Quincy in a celebration of cultural diversity and harmony as it gears up to host its inaugural Holi Festival.

The event will be held Sunday, May 5 from noon to 2 p.m. at Cavanagh Stadium, 22 Birch St., North Quincy.

Admission is free. Indian Street Food and Sweets will be available for purchase.

Parking is available at North Quincy High School parking lot and the Atlantic Middle School parking lot.

This joyous occasion marks another significant

milestone in the city's embrace of cultural traditions, fostering unity, belonging, and building connections amongst its residents.

Holi, known as the Festival of Colors, transcends boundaries and brings people together regardless of age, gender, or background. It's a festival that celebrates good over evil and a time to forgive past grievances and celebrate the arrival of spring with colors, music, and laughter. For the first time, Quincy will be a canvas for this beautiful expression of joy and togetherness.

Organized by Tiranga Indian Street Food restaur-

ant in Wollaston, and QPS parent volunteers Kavita Mishra and Shiv Singh, the Holi Festival promises to be an unforgettable immersive cultural experience for all attendees. The event will feature live music, mouth-watering Indian vegetarian street food, sweets, and of course, the iconic color play where participants shower each other with vibrant powders.

Mayor Thomas Koch and the City of Quincy have been very supportive in the organizing of the first-ever Festival of Colors in Quincy. The hope is to build community and belonging

by sharing and celebrating Holi with the amazing community of Quincy. The festival is not just about revelry; it's about fostering understanding and appreciation for the different cultures of our diverse community.

Everyone is invited to join in the festivities and experience the magic of Holi firsthand. Whether you're a seasoned participant or experiencing Holi for the first time, all are welcome to come together and create cherished memories.

Join us as we paint the town in the colors of unity, joy, and love at Quincy's First Holi Festival!

Church Of The Presidents Earth Day Programs

In celebration of Earth Day 2024, the United First Parish Church (Unitarian-Universalist) will present a lecture on the environmental advantages of eating sustainable food on Saturday, April 20.

Titled, "The WHY of a Vegetarian or Vegan Diet," the talk will be given by Sara Sezun, chair of the Plant-Based Planet Team of the Sierra Club, Massachusetts Chapter.

"Our mission is to raise awareness of the environmental effects of animal agriculture and encourage people to reduce or eliminate meat consumption," said Sezun. "A Vegan diet does not include food derived from living creatures—hence, no meat, fish, chicken, egg, dairy products or honey."

A potluck supper will be offered immediately after the presentation to show samples of how tasty and healthy sustainable dishes can be. Attendees are asked to bring a vegetarian or vegan dish to share (appetizer, entree or dessert), and, if available, a copy of the recipe.

The programs will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. in the "Church of the Presidents" Parish Hall at 1306 Hancock St., Quincy Center. The public is welcome, and there is no charge for either program. Preregistration is requested by emailing Claire Fitzmaurice at artclaire@comcast.net by April 19.

READERS FORUM

Honor National Healthcare Decisions Day

Dear Editor,

As National Healthcare Decisions Day (NHDD) is in April, I am reminded of the importance of advance care planning and the need for individuals to have meaningful conversations about their healthcare wishes with their loved ones and healthcare providers. NHDD is a timely reminder for each of us to proactively document our healthcare preferences so that our wishes are known and respected.

As a nurse for 60 years, I wish I had the option of medical aid in dying in Massachusetts. I'd like to include that option in conversations about my end-of-life healthcare wishes with my loved ones. Unfortunately, medical aid in dying has yet to be authorized here. This compassionate healthcare option allows terminally ill adults with six months or less to live the option to request medication from their healthcare provider that they can choose to self-ingest to peacefully end their suffering. S.1331/H.2246, would allow this practice in Massachusetts.

Honor National Healthcare Decisions Day by supporting a full range of healthcare options at the end of life. Talk to your family about what you want at the end of life, and talk to them about supporting S.1331/H.2246 today.

Take Special Care,
Bonnie Gorman RN
Quincy

Compassion and Choices

Time Is Now For Permanent Ceasefire

It's 2024, and our tax dollars have funded and continue to fund a humanitarian disaster in Gaza. Thirty thousand humans have been killed in just six months, and 40% of them are children. It takes a special kind of indifference to ignore this brutality towards children. It's time we shed our ennui and apathy and have an honest, open, and uncomfortable discussion about what is happening in Gaza and why. We need to educate ourselves and self-reflect on where we stand regarding Gaza, which has shockingly become a divisive topic of discussion.

Shamefully, I admit that I was indifferent and ignorant to what was happening in Gaza and the West Bank until I came across the strong, unrelenting, committed Jewish voices of Norman Finkelstein, Gabor Mate, and many Jewish residents of Quincy. I was mind-blown by my apathy once I began to understand. If we have faith in humanity and love for children, we can't let the current distressing situation of large-scale starvation, looming famine, lack of healthcare, and clean water continue in Gaza.

The time is now to press for a permanent ceasefire and ensure humanitarian aid reaches everyone devastated by the war. Quincy for a Free Palestine is working towards passing a ceasefire resolution in the city. Please join them in their effort to advocate for a ceasefire resolution that reflects the desire of most Quincy residents.

Shivpreet Singh
Quincy

Ask John Paul: AAA New England's Car Doctor Senior Manager, Public Affairs and Traffic Safety

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While Toyota makes decent cars, their service sometimes leaves a lot to be desired. I had a Corolla that I took in for brakes, which had a bearing failure after about a month, of course they took no responsibility for it. On the work order it said clean and repack bearings. Another time I took it for a state inspection, it was five years old, and I had replaced the battery six months before. The service rep told me I needed a new battery. Why does this happen?

The bearings could have certainly been overtightened by an inexperienced mechanic that was not familiar with tapered roller bearing. After just one month, it seems to me the dealer should have taken responsibility for their work. Regarding the battery, quite often I see new batteries condemned just because they are not the factory battery, even though the battery meets or exceeds the original specifications and may have been made in the same factory.

My 2011 Volkswagen Jetta has the oil light coming on three times each morning, then the car is fine all day. What is wrong?

The most common issue is a faulty oil pressure sensor or perhaps sludge in the oil from extended oil changes and not using synthetic oil. The first place to start would be to use a mechanical oil pressure gauge to rule out any electrical issues with the gauge. If the oil pressure is less than 17 PSI of pressure at an idle, then the oil pump or even a worn engine bearing could be at fault.

I read your articles each week with interest and find great information regarding car issues. My 2018 Nissan Rogue makes a sound whenever I turn the steering wheel. I have read that this is an issue with a gasket that is easily replaced. What do you know about this annoying noise?

The common issue is the rubber steering column lower seal/insulator. This part allows for a watertight seal for the steering shaft as it exits the cabin of the vehicle. The repair is quite straightforward, and any good repair shop should be able to make the repair.

I've gotten no response from several local dealerships in trying to locate a Sportage (or any vehicle) that has Remote Smart Parking. Kia America was not been helpful at all in answering our inquiries. We have rather narrow garage door openings, and this feature would be a welcome addition "if" we can find it. What do you think of this feature?

I have driven several different Hyundai and Kia models with this feature and only once did I really have a use for it. I was parked at a restaurant, and someone parked six inches off my driver's door. I pushed the button, started the car and backed the car up to get in. The other times I used this system was more of a novelty, just showing off. Looking on www.kia.com it appears that the Smart-Park Assist is only available in the premium trim of the Sportage hybrid or plug-in hybrid. The Hyundai Tucson, which is very similar to the Sportage and according to Hyundai's website does have Smart Park available in non-hybrid models, but in the top-of-the-line trim levels.

I know you have answered this before, but I am looking to purchase a decent OBD code reader or perhaps a scan-tool. What would you recommend for a brand at a reasonable price point?

Currently in my toolbox, I have two bi-directional scan tools: the Xtool D8, this is a bit pricey at \$500, but cer-

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tainly is a close as you can get to a professional all make and model scan tool at a very competitive price. The other is the Innova 5610 \$400 (there are various models and price points). What is nice about the Innova tools is the compatibility with their Repair Solutions2 app. Once you have the code you can look at real world fixes. For a basic code reader/scan tool I keep a Bluetooth compatible tool from BlueDriver in my car. The BlueDriver is more than a code reader it can display live data, emissions readiness monitors and confirmed fixes all for about \$100. Topdon also makes a Bluetooth code reader scan tool (\$60), which I will be testing out in the near future.

I have a friend that has a Volkswagen that is only a few years old, and it uses oil, about one quart on 2,500 miles. The dealer has offered no answers. I have owned many cars and never added oil between oil changes. What advice can you offer to my friend?

Volkswagen and Audi have had issues with oil consumption but consider one quart of oil use in 1200 miles normal. Since her car is well above that number there is nothing that Volkswagen will do. Realistically, all engines will use some oil during the normal combustion process, some more than others. Volkswagen has a very long oil change interval of once per year or 10,000 miles and it is critical especially on this model to check the oil periodically.

My daughter and I want to do an automotive project together. I'm pretty handy and she is a great student. We have extra space in the garage and a good assortment of tools. We were thinking of something custom (maybe a Mustang or 60's sedan) but not overly expensive. Any thoughts?

As the warm weather approaches go to as many car shows as possible and ask questions about some of the cars you like. Do a little research on YouTube, in fact teenage carburetor rebuilders Riley, RileyRebuilds on social media is building a Ford Fairlane with her dad. The other option is look at Smyth Kit cars <https://www.smythkitcars.com/>. These are kits that can turn a VW Beetle, Dodge Charger and a few others models into a Ute (pickup truck of sorts). I was at a car show and someone had a Volkswagen version, and it got more attention than the Porsche 911 parked next to it. Good luck and send me pictures of your project.

I recently purchased a used Range Rover. It is beautiful inside and ran great, until the check engine and temperature lights came on. I limped back home and after a bit of struggling bled some air out of the system. Right now, the engine seems fine. Should I worry?

Probably, unless the cooling system was serviced and the system had trapped air in it, I suspect the air in the system is from the start of a cylinder head gasket leak. Head gaskets can leak both oil and coolant externally, but also coolant can leak internally and be burned up during combustion. As the coolant is sucked into the engine it will create air in the cooling system and cause an overheating situation. At this point buy or rent a Block-Check combustion leak tester. This is a simple test that will look for the presence of hydrocarbons in the cooling system which would indicate a possible head gasket leak.

OBITUARIES

Roberta A. Casey, 84

Roberta A. Casey, better known as "Bobbie", a lifelong resident of Quincy, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 5, 2024. She was 84.

She was born in Boston to Roberta A. (Tangstrom) and Stanley J. Provost and raised in Quincy, specifically the Houghs Neck area. She graduated from Cardinal Cushing High School and went on to work as an administrative assistant with Broadway Electric in Boston. She worked there for over 25 years before retiring.

Bobbie was very active. She played softball, loved boating, road her bike and was part of a bowling league for many years. She was a devoted parishioner of the Most Blessed Sacrament Church for her whole life. There she sang for weddings and funerals. When she was home, she was an avid sports fan and especially enjoyed watching the New England Patriots and Boston Red Sox. When she



ROBERTA A. CASEY

wasn't with family she was with "The Club", a group of her lifelong friends that she grew up with.

Bobbie wasn't just active; she was full of life. She had a great sense of humor, loved to sing, party and dance and was a genuine joy to be around. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Devoted mother to David E. Casey. Loving sister to Marion Knudsen of Quincy, Lorraine Provost of Pembroke, Rhonda Provost-Benyo of CA, Janice Gilmore of Quincy, John Provost of Beverly, and Theresa Murphy of Quincy. Cherished grandmother to Molly Casey and Bryan Gilligan, Great-grandmother to Ryder, and a beloved Aunt and Great Aunt to many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral Mass on Friday, April 19th at 10:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Parish at Most Blessed Sacrament Church, 1015 Sea St., Quincy, MA. Burial will be at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Roberta's name to the charitable organization of one's choice.

Maryanne Fitzgerald Dailey

Maryanne Fitzgerald Dailey (Bana Fitz), of Onset, MA, formerly of Weymouth and Boston, died April 5, 2024, after a valiant battle with lung disease. Adored daughter of the late Joe and Anne Fitzgerald. Loving mother of Maryanne "Coco" Dailey, Jack Dailey, Katie McCaffrey, Nancy O'Malley and her husband Mickey. Cherished Bana (Baby Nana) to Jack and Jay T Seward-Dailey, Jillian, Jake, Shana, and Joe Zinkus, Grace, Nora, Maggie, and Molly O'Malley. Great Bana to Wyatt and Maddie Rhodes, Fin Zinkus and Brendan Glover. Bana loved her granddogs, Pandy and Rosie, who brought her so much joy. Also survived by many beloved cousins, nieces, and nephews and her loyal friend, Gail Regan. Former spouse of Michael V. Dailey.

Bana Fitz was a beautiful, resilient, selfless, courageous, smart, and witty soul, known for her authentic spirit and great sense of humor. She was a woman of deep faith who always put others first. She was overjoyed to see Pope John Paul II walk past her and her daughter Nancy during Palm Sunday Mass in 1994. She cherished spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and was so proud to boast about their accomplishments. She especially enjoyed attending her children's and grandchildren's sporting or school events over the years. She loved watching Jeopardy and British detective shows, indulging in nostalgic movies and programs and listening to



MARYANNE FITZGERALD DAILEY

great music. She was a dedicated lover of gardening and was always amazed at God's small miracles when a plant grew from seeds or bulbs. Bana delighted in watching Boston Sports Teams play, with a special affinity for the Sox and Bruins. Her favorite meal was a perfectly cooked prime rib paired with a glass of wine, especially enjoyed while playing Keno with a baseball or hockey game on in the background. On special occasions, she relished a nice glass of Jameson, raising a toast to life's joys and challenges. Bana had a thirst for knowledge and delighted in teaching others by example. We will speak more about this incredible woman as we celebrate her life this weekend.

Visitation was held Friday, April 12th, at the McDonald Keohane Funeral Home, 809 Main St., Weymouth, MA 02190. A Funeral Mass was held on Saturday, April 13th, at St. Brigid of Kildare Church, South Boston, MA.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Martin Richard Foundation, 1452 Dorchester Ave, 4th Floor, Dorchester, MA 02122.

Maureen E. Murphy, 92

Maureen E. (Bannerman) Murphy, 92, passed peacefully on April 10, 2024, at Pat Roche Hospice Home in Hingham, Massachusetts.

She was born on June 28th, 1932, in Glasgow, Scotland, the proud daughter of John and Mary (Fitzsimmons) Bannerman. Maureen lived in her childhood home with her family throughout World War Two. The challenges they faced together during that time created a family bond and a collective passion for life that would never be broken. After the war, she graduated from Notre Dame High School in 1950 and from Notre Dame College of Education in 1954 with a degree in Education. She then began a long career as a teacher both in her native country and after immigrating to the United States in 1962. After meeting Richard Murphy at church in 1963, they married in 1966 and enjoyed a fifty-eight year marriage together.

Maureen was a sixty-two year resident of Quincy and was immersed in every aspect of community life through St. Ann's Parish as a Parish lector and CCD instructor as well as multiple charitable organizations. Maureen's compassion for those who had less began at a young age through her parent's example. They provided their children a platform for a lifelong commitment to others through their faith, empathy, and belief in the human spirit. Her multiple forms of self-expression through painting, writing, crocheting, and singing reflected the Bannerman family spirit. Most importantly, Maureen was present in all that she attempted and always gave the task at hand or the people in her presence her very best. Maureen never met a stranger, and her engaging and compassionate manner made her part of the world a little bit better. She shared many interests with her husband, Richard, including traveling, the outdoors, leisure activities, and a love of Boston pro sports teams. Maureen was also her own woman: determined, clever, fiercely loyal, and family centered. She loved to laugh and was even happier when others joined in. Her kindness for her fellow man was only surpassed by her love of her family, particularly her children and grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, he was predeceased by



MAUREEN E. MURPHY

her husband Richard, brother John (Invergordon, Scotland), and brother Charles Bannerman (Needham, Mass). She is survived by her sister Margaret Bannerman (Bellingham), daughter Clare of Quincy, sons Brian of Port Richey, Florida, John and wife Erin (Henry), of Brooklet, Georgia, Paul of Westerly, RI, and Kevin and wife Brianne (Pearce), of Hanover, as well as his beloved grandchildren Alessandra, Domenic, Shay, Eamon, Declan, Cora, Cullen and Hazel along with multiple godchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, relatives and friends.

Visiting hours were held Monday, April 15, in the McDonald Keohane Funeral Home North Weymouth at 40 Sea St. (off Route 3A - Bicknell Square) followed by the Funeral Mass on Tuesday, April 16, Divine Mercy Parish (formerly St. Ann's) 757 Hancock St., Wollaston, MA 02170. Interment at St. Mary's Cemetery, 115 Crescent St., Quincy, MA 02169. For those who wish to remember Maureen in a special way, in lieu of flowers the family asks to make gifts in her memory to Father Bill's Kitchen in Quincy (helpfbms.org).

Maureen will be missed by many but leaves a powerful legacy of fellowship and compassion for others as a Christian, a proud Scot, and a grateful American citizen. Her love of laughter, the simple pleasures of life, and beautiful smile will live with all of us. She completed a full life, and his family and friends are eternally grateful for that fact.

Maureen lived with gratitude, faith, and grace until the end. We are all so proud of her.

"Do not think that love in order to be genuine has to be extraordinary. What we need is to love without getting tired. Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies." — Mother Teresa.

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory of
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the wound less sore,
But time can never
stop the longing
for a dear one
gone before.*

*He had a nature you
couldn't help loving,
and a heart that was
purer than gold.
And to those who knew
him and loved him,
his memory will
never grow cold.*

*Always and forever
in our hearts.*

*Lovingly remembered
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husband Jason;
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Julie R. DiSciaccia, 74

Julie R. DiSciaccia, of Fort Myers, Florida, formerly of Quincy, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 29, 2024 at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Fort Myers Florida. She was 74.

Julie was born in New Haven Connecticut on Jan. 10, 1950 and was a daughter of the late Joseph Pasipanki and Late Virginia Rogers (DelGREGO). Julie was raised in New Haven where she attended and graduated from Hillhouse High School, New Haven, Connecticut.

She met the love of her life Charlie at the House Of Zodiac in Hartford, Connecticut in 1970, and were married July 5, 1971, which turned out to be an amazing life and love story. She worked as a Manager of Daley's Restaurant in Easton, MA, which is where she became famous for her chocolate cake. She went on to start a catering business with Charlie and continued using her talent as a pastry chef. Once she retired from catering she studied hard in 2001 to earn her real estate license, which is when she



JULIE R. DISCIACCIA

went to work for Century 21 Annex in Quincy, Massachusetts, until she retired.

Julie was the beloved wife to the late Charles Vincent DiSciaccia, Jr. with whom she shared 52 wonderful years of marriage. She was the devoted mother of Rene'-Lynn DiSciaccia, amazing loving Nana to Isabella Giavanna DiSciaccia, both of Quincy, MA and loving mother to Danielle Damiani (DiSciaccia) and her husband Robert of Richmond, Virginia. She was the dear sister of Diane Sabo and her late husband Charlie, Maryann Butler and her late husband Billy, Brother Joseph Pasipanki and his late wife Fran, Sister in law Rosann and her

later brother Tommy Rogers as well as her late sister Gloria Sawicki and her late husband Teddy all from New Haven, Connecticut. She is also survived by her canine companions Cora Charlee, Coco, Autumn, Timber "Joey," Cosmo, & Buddy, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Friday, April 19, 2024 from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy, MA. A Celebration of life Service will be held in the funeral home at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 20, 2024, prior to the Funeral Mass in Divine Mercy Parish in St. Ann's Church, Quincy, MA at 10:30 a.m.

Cremation will follow and interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Julie may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

See www.keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

John S. Hirtle, 74

John S. "Jack" Hirtle, of Quincy, died peacefully at his home on Saturday, April 6, 2024. He was 74.

John was born in Weymouth on July 22, 1949 and was the son of the late John H. and Marjorie A. (Whelton) Hirtle. He was raised in Rockland, attended local schools, and attended Rockland High School. Later in life John earned his CDL license and drove tractor trailers until his retirement.

John (Jack) was the devoted father of Jaclyn Collings of Quincy, John Votta her partner from Norfolk. Father of Kimberly Joslyn and her husband Raymond of Rockland. He was the loving grandfather of Sarah Savoy and her husband Thomas of Rockland and Amanda Allen and her husband Thomas of West Bridgewater. He was



JOHN S. HIRTLE

the loving great grandfather of Vivian and Valerie Savoy, both of Rockland. John was the dear brother of Paula Hennessey and her late husband Paul of Quincy, Marie Fraser and her late husband Ernest of New Jersey, Tim Hirtle and his wife Lena of Texas, Peter Hirtle and his wife Ruth of Quincy, the late Kathy Cwik and her surviving husband Tom of Methuen, the late Barbara Bennett,

and the late Kevin Hirtle. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Thursday, April 18, 2024, 9-11 a.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy.

His funeral service will be celebrated on Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 11 a.m. in Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy.

Services will conclude with interment in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in John's name to the charitable organization of one's choice.

See www.Keohane.com for online condolences and directions.

Tita Fabien, 85



TITA FABIEN

two soon to become presidents father and son who held a dictatorship in Haiti for 30 years.

After rising to power the newly elected president was arrested or sent to exile all his campaign helpers. This was the time when Tita and Joseph Fabien got married. They had to keep a low profile. They founded the Saint Yves School in Haiti. Joseph Fabien also worked as an attorney. Tita Fabien worked at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She also had a business of import and export and traveled frequently to buy goods in Latin America the Caribbean the United States, and Canada.

Tita and her husband had three children. The first one Joseph Fabien, Jr. became an engineer and passed away soon after his studies. The second child is her daughter Marie Denise to whom she gave birth on the bridge of St. Jerome in the middle of Port au Prince. The third one was a son who was born at 2 pounds in Port-au-Prince and she almost lost her life in childbirth.

Life in the family was joyful. It included food free food daily for all strangers going to school on time, having friends and family cousins always and a huge Christmas party at Tante Tita and camping in the yard and party by the pool.

At the end of the dictatorship in the late 1980s Tita traveled to America to bring her youngest son to high

school. She placed him at the house of her cousin who lived in Boston.

Years later while her oldest son who had just graduated from engineering school became sick she brought her daughter with her to Boston.

On a late summer afternoon after visiting a friend in Randolph, Tita and her daughter Marie Denise got lost when they took the wrong bus in Randolph and found themselves in Quincy Center. Coming to Quincy was love, at first sight. The two of them entered the city of Quincy with only a bag in their hands. The next day as she was living in America. She left her daughter at Harvard Yard where she took her to learn English and commanded her to return to Quincy and settle there.

After the loss of her husband, she managed the St. Yves School and traveled every three years in Israel to celebrate Easter. On that occasion she visited Via de La Rosa Mount Olives and the church of the Holy Sepulcher where Jesus was Crucified and is said to have risen from the dead.

After the death of her husband, she became very involved with the Saint Yves School.

Visitation hours are 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, April 19 at the Casper Cremation Services and Funeral Home, 187 Dorchester St., Boston.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, April 20 at 10 a.m. at Divine Mercy Sacred Heart Church, North Quincy. Burial will be in Pine Hill Cemetery, Quincy.

Thank you so much to all in Quincy who welcomed us and made our journey in Quincy each day as a daily walk in heaven. Quincy is a heavenly city. May God Bless Haiti, may God bless Quincy and America.

NOTICE TO READERS

Obituaries appearing in The Quincy Sun and posted on the newspaper's website are written by the funeral home handling arrangements with input from the deceased's family. They are not written by The Quincy Sun. Obituaries are submitted by the funeral homes and are printed in The Sun space permitting.



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OBITUARY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-19

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Shane Grey for a VARIANCE and SPECIAL PERMIT TO FLOOD PLAIN to subdivide lot constructing 2 structures in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 4.1.1 (dimensional regulations) 4.1.2.5 (building height) and 4.2.5 (lot size, area and width) and 4.2.6 (minimum frontage and width) and 8.1.9 (Special Permit) on the premises numbered 28 Miriam Street, Quincy.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

4/18/24, 4/25/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-22

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Jennifer Reid for a Variance to enclose both the 2nd floor balcony and front porch in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 4.1 Table of Dimensional Requirements on the premises numbered 17 Wall Street, Quincy.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

4/18/24, 4/25/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-26

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Austin Realty Proprietorship West LLC for a VARIANCE to renovate existing 2 family, construct 1 townhouse at the rear of existing structure in addition to constructing 3 additional townhouses on the right side of the parcel in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance Chapter 375, Sec. 3.0 (Use Regulations) and Sec. 4.0 (Dimensional Regulations) on the premises numbered 24 BRANCH STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

4/18/24, 4/25/24

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT ANDREA N. CAMPBELL

[Case Caption: Guilford County Courthouse in Greensboro, North Carolina, Gurney L. White d/b/a Majestic Car Care, v. Andrea N. Campbell]

Case Number: 23-CVD-6276

To ANDREA N. CAMPBELL, whose whereabouts are unknown or cannot be ascertained through reasonable diligence:

You are hereby notified that a legal action has been filed against you in the Guilford County Courthouse of Greensboro, North Carolina. The nature of the action is a Complaint for Monies Owed Under a Mechanic's Lien. You are required to appear in or respond to this action within (30) thirty days after the final publication of this notice.

This notice is being published once a week for three consecutive weeks in The Quincy Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in Quincy, Massachusetts. The dates of publication are April 18, 2024, April 25, 2024, and May 2, 2024.

If you fail to appear or respond to this action within the specified time, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

For further information or to respond to this action, you may contact the court or the plaintiff's attorney, Attorney Jason Keith of NxtGenlaw Firm at 336-574-0368 or 100 S. Elm St., Suite 100 in Greensboro, North Carolina 27401.

This notice is published pursuant to Rule 4 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

DATED: April 5, 2024.

4/18, 4/25, 5/2/24

Judith "Judy" Sudak, a longtime resident of Quincy, originally from Dorchester, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 3, 2024. She was 73.

Judy was born in Boston to Mary (Lee) and Harry Lawson and raised in Dorchester with her 4 siblings. Judy worked for many years as a driver for special needs students and took pride in caring for the students she drove to school.

In her spare time, Judy was her happiest spending time with her family, espe-



JUDITH SUDAK

cially her grandchildren. At home she could often be found knitting or crocheting and had quite a talent for it. Before becoming ill she loved to travel and take long

trips with her family and friends.

Judy was caring, charismatic and had a wonderful sense of humor. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Devoted mother to Lisa Carrigan of Woburn and Teri Sudak of Braintree. Loving grandmother "Grams" to Thomas "Papa" Brogna and "Nana" to Lily Lembo-Sudak. Caring sister to Richard Lawson. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by her parents, Harry and Mary Law-

son and her siblings, Donna, Michael "Micky" Lawson and Jackie Lawson.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral Mass on Thursday, April 18th, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Ann's Church, 757 Hancock St., Quincy.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Judy may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168. Please see www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

Wollaston Congregational Church Yard Sale May 4

Wollaston Congregational Church, 48 Winthrop Ave. is having its annual yard sale on Saturday, May 4th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The sale will feature lots of good stuff including jewelry, dishes, kitchenware, books, toys, furniture, electronics and maybe some-

thing for Fathers' Day.

Indoor and outdoor so no rain date.

May 4 also coincides with Quincy Cleaner Green-

er and Scout Troop 42 will be raking the church yard so make sure you say hello on your way in to shop.

INVITATION TO BID

CITY OF QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Downtown District

INVITATION TO BID

The City of Quincy, acting on behalf of the Department of Downtown District, is seeking sealed bids for **INSTALLATION/REPAIR OF TREE PITS** until **11:30 a.m. local time Thursday, May 11, 2024**, in the Office of the Purchasing Department, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts 02169, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The City of Quincy, Massachusetts will accept sealed bids for the installation and/or repair of irrigation in tree pits, assessment and augmentation of existing soil, planting of double blossom begonias and manufacture and installation of posts/chains for 45 existing tree pits throughout the Downtown area.

The awarded contractor must furnish, fabricate, galvanize, paint black and install 8 typical 3X3TS posts with ball caps at 45 locations. Remove existing drip irrigation, replace with pop-up irrigation which includes removal of any impervious surface and replacing excavated soils with high-quality clean loam for planting. Planting of 24 double blossom per tree pit.

A 5% bid bond is required for the total value of the bid in the form of a bid bond or certified/treasurer's check.

Detailed specifications are available on-line at the City of Quincy's website, www.quincyma.gov and also available at the Office of the Purchasing Department, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Specifications will be available April 17, 2024.

The bidding and award of this contract shall be in full compliance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30, Section 39M, as last revised. All applicable Federal, State and City of Quincy regulations in relation to and subject to the minimum wage rates set under the Massachusetts Prevailing Wage Law Chapter 149, §26 to 27H and/or any applicable federal rates. The City reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all bids when such an action is deemed in the best interests of the City.

Non-responsive and/or unbalanced bids may be rejected.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

CITY OF QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
1305 HANCOCK ST., QUINCY, MA 02169

Invites sealed proposals for the professional services to the City of Quincy:

MUNICIPAL FINANCE

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS SERVICES

MAY 2, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

The City of Quincy, Massachusetts, through its Office of Municipal Finance, is seeking proposals from qualified firms for the provision of economic and financial analysis services. This Request for Proposals (RFP) outlines the scope of services sought, the proposal submission requirements, and the criteria by which proposals will be evaluated.

Non-Price Proposals must be in a sealed envelope and separate from the Price Proposals in another sealed envelope. The outside of the sealed envelopes is to be clearly marked **"RFP - NON-PRICE PROPOSAL ENCLOSED"** with time/date of RFP and **"RFP - PRICE PROPOSAL ENCLOSED"** with time/date of RFP.

Bids/Proposals will be received at the Purchasing Department until the time and date stated above, at which time and date they will be opened and registered. Late Bids/Proposals, delivered by mail or in person, will be rejected.

Detailed specifications will be available on-line on April 17, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the City of Quincy's website, www.quincyma.gov and also available at the office of the Purchasing Department, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

All inquiries regarding this proposal should be directed to Kathryn R. Logan, Chief Procurement Officer, by email: klogan@quincyma.gov and cc: mmarini@quincyma.gov. Inquiries will be accepted until April 26, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

The City of Quincy reserves the right to withdraw the Request for Proposal; to reject any and all proposals; and to accept any proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Quincy.

Non-responsive and/or unbalanced proposals may be rejected.

4/18/24

Thomas P. Koch, Mayor
Eric Mason, Director of Municipal Finance
Kathryn R. Logan, Chief Procurement Officer

Kathryn R. Sweeney, 61

Kathryn R. Sweeney, age 61, of Weymouth, formerly of Hingham and Braintree, died peacefully, Saturday, April 13, 2024 at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth, surrounded by the loving comfort of her family and dear friends.

Kathryn was born in Quincy, raised and educated in Braintree. She was a graduate of Thayer Academy, Class of 1981, and Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, Class of 1985. She earned a Master's degree in Education, specializing in counselor training, from the University of Massachusetts Boston in 1987.

She lived in Weymouth for twenty-two years, previously in Hingham, and earlier in Braintree.

Kate was a talented athlete at Thayer Academy and Bates College where she was the goalie of the women's varsity lacrosse team.

Kate was employed as a lead vocational expert for many years. She currently worked for Vinfen Corporation in the Quincy office with the Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) team where she was an influential and dedicated staff member. Kate was a caring person and showed a great deal of compassion and empathy towards those struggling with various health and social challenges.

Previously, Kate began her career working briefly at the Quincy District Court before joining the staff at Pembroke Hospital.

Kate excelled at playing cards, especially cribbage. She enjoyed collecting Coca-Cola memorabilia over the years. She was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots. She was well-known for her extensive sneaker collection, always having an appropriate pair for any occasion. She loved music and had attended many concerts, including Paul McCartney, Phil Collins, and Van Mor-



KATHRYN R. SWEENEY

rison. Kate also loved connecting with her college friends but most of all, she cherished the time spent with her family and close friends.

Beloved daughter of the late Richard T. and Margaret A. (Lent) Sweeney.

The youngest of five siblings, Kate was the loving sister of Richard T. Sweeney, Jr. and his wife Ornella.

Cherished aunt of Sabrina A. Daniels and her husband Brian, Laura M. DiMascio and her husband Carmine, Francis M. Sweeney, and Richard T. Sweeney III. Proud great aunt of Juliet, Lucia, Mabel, Eliana, and Luca.

Kate is also survived by her extended family, Stephen DiCenso, his wife Christine, and their family; and dear longtime friends, Charles Gentile, Barbara DiNatale, Andrea Coleman, and Debbie Kern.

Visiting hours will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Avenue, Quincy, on Wednesday, April 17, from 4 - 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School Street, Quincy, on Thursday, April 18, at 10 a.m. Interment to follow at Mount Wollaston Cemetery, Quincy.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Kathryn's memory may be made to DOVE, P.O. Box 690267, Quincy, MA 02269.

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

OBITUARIES

Daniel T. Wong, 75

Daniel T. Wong, age 75, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, on Monday, April 1, 2024, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

He was born on April 27, 1948, in China, to Chap Yuen and Lin Chu Wong. He was a 1979 graduate of Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada. He moved to Boston and married Lillian Wong on September 1, 1973. He worked as a Systems Officer at State Street Corporation for over 20 years.

After he retired, he got bored and worked as a part-time realtor for leisure for a few years. Daniel truly lived life to the fullest through simple pleasures; chatting with friends and family, eating, watching movies, game shows like Wheel of Fortune and Family Feud, cooking shows and spending time with his family.

Daniel was a very friendly, genuine and easy going person. He had a natural ability to reach people in a deep and positive way. He had always enjoyed helping others without expecting anything in return.

He is survived by his wife, Lillian; two sons, Edward and Michael; daughter, Jennifer; grandson, Eden; four sisters, Sandra (Victor), Susanna (Carland), Linda (Patrick) and Helen (Kin) and brother-in-law,



DANIEL T. WONG

Ming (Ching); and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Family, friends, and others whose lives Daniel touched are invited to attend his visiting hours at Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy, from 9 to 11 a.m. on Friday, April 19, 2024. A procession will leave the funeral home to go to Daniel's home (Quincy) before his interment at Forest Hills Cemetery in Boston.

LEGAL NOTICE

CONTEMPT SUMMONS
Docket No. NO22D0568DR

Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate
and Family Court
(781) 830-1200

Peter Nichols, Plaintiff
Josephine Nichols,
Defendant

To the above named Defendant:

You are ordered to appear at a Probate and Family Court to be held at:

Date: 07/16/2024

Time: 10:30 AM

Place: Courtroom 2

35 Shawmut Road

Canton, MA 02021

Summons issued,

Contempt Returnable

to show cause why you should not be held in civil and/or criminal contempt, the penalty for which may be a jail sentence.

You are hereby summoned to serve upon:

Madeline M. Richards, Esq.

whose address is:

Maura F. Richards, LLC

275 Turnpike Street

Canton, MA 02021

your answer, if any, to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 7 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. You are also required to file your answer, if any, to the complaint in this office of the Register of this court at Norfolk Probate and Family Court, either before service upon Plaintiff or Plaintiff's attorney, if represented by counsel, or within a reasonable time thereafter.

Failure to appear on this date may result in the issuance of an order for your arrest.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 4, 2024

COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

4/18/24

est Hills Cemetery in Boston.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. NO24P0957EA

Commonwealth of

Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Probate

and Family Court

35 Shawmut Road

Canton, MA 02021

(781) 830-1200

Estate of:

Charline Tinkham

Also known as:

G. Charline Tinkham,

Gay Charline Tinkham,

Gay Charlene Tinkham

Date of Death:

02/10/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Herbert J. Cameron of Quincy, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Herbert J. Cameron of Quincy, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 05/15/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED

ADMINISTRATION UNDER

THE MASSACHUSETTS

UNIFORM PROBATE

CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 9, 2024

COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. NO24P0069EA
Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Division

35 Shawmut Road

Canton, MA 02021

(781) 830-1200

Estate of:

Sarah Hollis Johnson

Also Known As:

Sarah H. Johnson

Date of Death:

12-27-2023

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of:

Petitioner Robin F. Menke

of Mashpee, MA.

Robin F. Menke of Mash-

pee, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

DOMESTIC RELATIONS

SUMMONS

BY: PUBLICATION,

MAILING, Email to POA

Docket No. NO22D0568DR

Commonwealth of

Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Peter Nichols, Plaintiff vs.

Josephine Nichols,

Defendant

Norfolk Probate

and Family Court

35 Shawmut Road

Canton, MA 02021

(781) 830-1200

To the above named defendant:

The plaintiff has filed a complaint for Modification. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:

Madeline M. Richards, Esq.

275 Turnpike Street

Canton, MA 02021

your answer, if any, on or before May 16, 2024. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 4, 2024

COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

4/18/24

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of Simplified License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
24-WW-PRE-0032-APP

NOTIFICATION DATE: April 18, 2024

PERMITTEE: Housemasters Realty Trust LLC

PROJECT SITE ADDRESS: 149 Rockland Street Quincy, MA 02169

Public notice is hereby given of the application for a Chapter 91 Simplified License by Housemasters Realty Trust LLC to construct/maintain an existing seawall, an enclosed deck, an open-air deck, supporting piles and seasonal stairs in the waters of Rock Island Cove at 149 Rockland Street in Quincy, MA Norfolk County.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received by within 30 days of the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c). The group of citizens must include at least five citizens who are residents of the municipality in which the proposed project is located.

Project plans for this Waterways application are on file for public viewing electronically, by request to dep.waterways@mass.gov. If you do not have access to email, please leave a voicemail at (617) 292-5929 and you will be contacted with information on alternative options.

It is recommended that public comments be filed electronically with dep.waterways@mass.gov when possible. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the Waterways Regulation Program at: 1 Winter Street, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

4/18/24

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD – A “Pirates of the Caribbean” sequel is in the works, according to producer Jerry Bruckheimer. In a recent interview with Comic-Book.com, Bruckheimer said that the current plan is to reboot the franchise completely. (The first five films grossed \$4.5 billion). “We’re gonna reboot ‘Pirates’ so that it’s easier to put together because you don’t have to wait for certain actors,” Bruckheimer explained. In other words, he means Johnny Depp, who has fallen from grace because of messy legal problems and won’t be returning as Captain Jack Sparrow. The 60-year-old Depp has now turned to producing and directing. He was originally set to star in “ModV,” a biopic about Italian painter Amedeo Modigliani, but he decided to direct the film instead with a European cast. It was mostly shot in Budapest, Hungary, except for Al Pacino’s scenes, which were shot in Los Angeles.

Will Smith’s comeback film since his Oscar win and infamous Chris Rock slap is “Bad Boys: Ride or Die” with Martin Lawrence, due June 7. Considering “Bad Boys” (1995) grossed \$141.4 million, “Bad Boys II” (2003) grossed \$273.3 million, and “Bad Boys for Life” (2020) grossed \$426.5 million, he’s betting that devoted fans will run to see it.

Scott Eastwood, son of Clint Eastwood, calls Hollywood filmmaking “a really weird business” and confesses, “I find a lot of creativity in real estate. Buying and improving homes...That’s always made me happy.” This sounds weird, considering his 93-year-old father would never think about

retiring. Young Eastwood has made 28 films, but has yet to break through to stardom. Yet still, Scott’s got three upcoming films: “1992,” which stars Tyrese Gibson and the late Ray Liotta; the action/thriller “Tin Soldier,” starring Jamie Foxx and Robert De Niro; and “Wind River: The Next Chapter,” which is the sequel to “Wind River” (2017). It starred Martin Sensmeier (“The Magnificent Seven”), who reprises his role again for “The Next Chapter,” along with Jason Clarke and Alan Ruck.

It’s official – Ken Jennings is the one and only host of everything “Jeopardy!” Viewers were torn between Jennings and Mayim Bialik, but when she informed the show that she’d cease hosting during the writer’s strike (which ironically didn’t include “Jeopardy!”), the show cut her loose and made Jennings the sole host! “Jeopardy!’s” answer is: “Fired!”

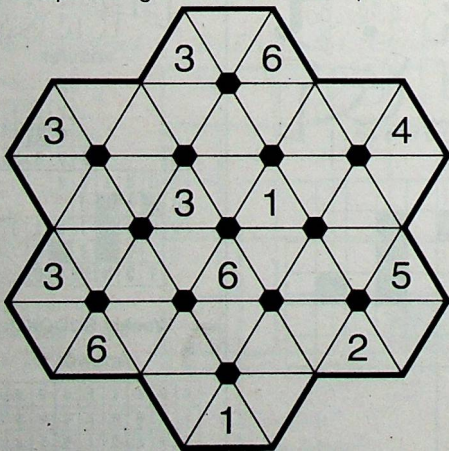
Why would actress Stephanie Courtney, 54, almost totally give up acting in TV, having starred in series such as “Mad Men” and “The Goldbergs,” as well as films like “Fred; The Movie,” “Fred 2: Night of the Living Fred” and “The Heartbreak Kid,” just to name a few? How about for a whopping \$1 million a year for the last 15 years as the spokeswoman for Progressive Insurance! No more interviews or casting sessions, just a cushy life since 2008 with husband, Scott Kolanach, who was a lighting director at The Groundlings when Courtney trained with the improv group! Now that’s what we call a “progressive” career move!

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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★★ ★★
★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovels

Embroidered Textiles – Textiles are fragile and need special care. Dust, light, insects and moisture can damage them. Antique textiles in good condition are rare and often sell for high prices.

This needlepoint casket was made about 1660 in England and sold for \$17,920, nearly three times its low estimate, at Morphy Auctions. A closer look shows that the colorful people, plants and animals stitched onto the fabric are three-dimensional, making the stitching even more complex. This tricky technique, called stumpwork, required padding the stitches to make the designs stand out.

All forms of embroidery, including stumpwork, were popular in England throughout the 1600s. Richly embroidered textiles and the items made from them grew more popular as more people could afford them. Many surviving examples of embroidery, including some museum-quality pieces, were made by amateurs, probably girls or young women. Girls would learn embroidery at a young age and practice their stitches with samplers, another popular collectible. Elaborately embroidered boxes like these may have been projects for girls learning embroidery to show their mastery of the skill.

Q: You had an article about a “Back to the Future” VHS tape selling for thousands of dollars. What auction houses or other outlets might be interested in buying or selling VHS tapes or LPs?

A: The VHS tape that sold for a record \$75,000 was a sealed copy of the original 1985 film from a collection owned by Tom Wilson, who played “Biff” in the film. Factors contributing to the high price include the popularity

of the film and the actor who owned the tape. Desirability, rarity and condition determine price. An unopened or sealed copy is more valuable than a used copy. Most VHS tapes sell for less than \$10. Vinyl records have become popular again. Many are worth less than a dollar, but sought-after albums, including those from the 1960s and ‘70s, are worth more. You can find prices online for both VHS tapes and LPs by searching sites like valueyourmusic.com or discogs.com. Look for “sold” prices on eBay. There are stores that buy and sell old VHS tapes and LPs. They can tell you which ones are worth more than a few dollars. They’ll give you about half what they expect to sell them for.

TIP: The best way to store plates is vertically in a rack. If you don’t have space, store them with pads between the dishes.

CURRENT PRICES

- Cane, carved figure of fisherman with net, crustacean and fish, varnished wood, resin and green stone accents, D.P. Dahlquist, 20th century, 37 1/2 inches, \$190.
- Advertising sign, Perrier, c’est fou (it’s crazy), stylized woman’s face with bottles as eyes, wild yellow hair, red ground, heavy paper, linen backing, signed by artist Bernard Villemot, holes for hanging at top, 1970s-1980s, 26 x 18 inches, \$685.
- Stoneware jug, cobalt blue bird and flowers, stamped White’s Utica, bulbous, tapered, two high curled handles, marked at top, 5 gallons, 17 inches, \$1,375.

For more collecting news, tips and resources, visit www.Kovels.com.

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STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

The grid below is arranged in a logical sequence. Can you figure out the logic and fill in the boxes that have question marks?

4	0	6	5	3
2	8	1	2	2
1	5	7	6	3
?	4	5	3	?

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Strange BUT TRUE

• It is impossible for a human to sneeze during sleep due to a bodily state called REM atonia.

• For 200 years tomatoes were considered poisonous in Europe. In reality, their acidity was dissolving poisonous metals like lead from plates.

• Scientists investigating the occasional appearance of thousands of dead fish on the banks of an African river eventually discovered that the cause was huge numbers of hippos pooping in the water.

• Actor Danny DeVito used to be a beautician.

• Ten thousand years ago, everyone’s eyes were brown until someone living by the Black Sea developed a genetic mutation that turned brown eyes blue.

• In 2007, a gorilla escaped from his exhibit, grabbed and mauled a nearby woman, and then attacked a restaurant. Later it was later revealed that the woman had been making eye contact and smiling at the

primate several times a week, something zookeepers had warned her not to do.

• Freelance diamond setter Raffi Stepanian found he could collect enough bits of carelessly dropped diamonds, rubies, platinum and gold on the sidewalks of New York City’s Midtown Diamond District to earn a living.

• In April of 2018, scientists at the Gladstone Institutes in California completely erased Alzheimer’s disease damage in human cells by altering the structure of a single protein.

• The most expensive photograph ever sold, “Rhein II,” a basic picture of the lower Rhine river under an overcast sky that had been digitally altered to remove dog walkers and a factory building, was purchased in 2011 for a cool \$4.3 million.

• Research has shown that taller people are happier but shorter people live longer.

Thought for the Day: “Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don’t matter, and those who matter don’t mind.” – Bernard M. Baruch

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Now here’s a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

• “My roses really look beautiful. When I am cutting stems to put in a bouquet, I use a clothespin to grip the stem. It saves me from getting pricked by thorns, because it has a bit of reach to it.” – L.E. in Georgia

• For even distribution in sowing seeds for your garden, use a saltshaker for tiny seeds. You can get a cheese shaker for larger seeds, if necessary.

• To keep your brick walkway clear of grass and weeds, sprinkle salt in the cracks.

• “If you have to cut a nylon cord or shoelace, you can use a flame to melt the end into a nub that won’t run or fray. Use a little heat and press it

together on a hard surface very briefly. It works fast!” – R.S. in Maine

• “Cars are getting so big these days. I use a string mop to wash the top and back of my van. I can reach everything better, and it does a great job.” – S.C. in Nevada

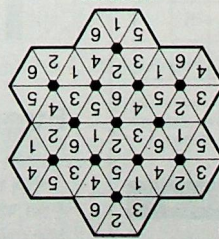
• To get shower doors squeaky clean, use a paste of baking soda and water to scrub stubborn water stains, then rinse the whole thing with straight white vinegar. Put the vinegar in a spray bottle and spray well, then rub off with a sponge. Rinse with plain water.

Send your tips to Now Here’s a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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SNOWFLAKES

solution



Stickelers Answer

40,653
28,122
+ 15,763
84,538

The grid forms a simple addition problem. The missing numbers are 8 and 8.

Go Figure! answers

4	15	54	
=	=	=	
3	8	+	
=	6	+	
5	1	+	
=	4	+	
2	6	+	
=	11		

Super Crossword

APPLICATION PROCESS

ACROSS

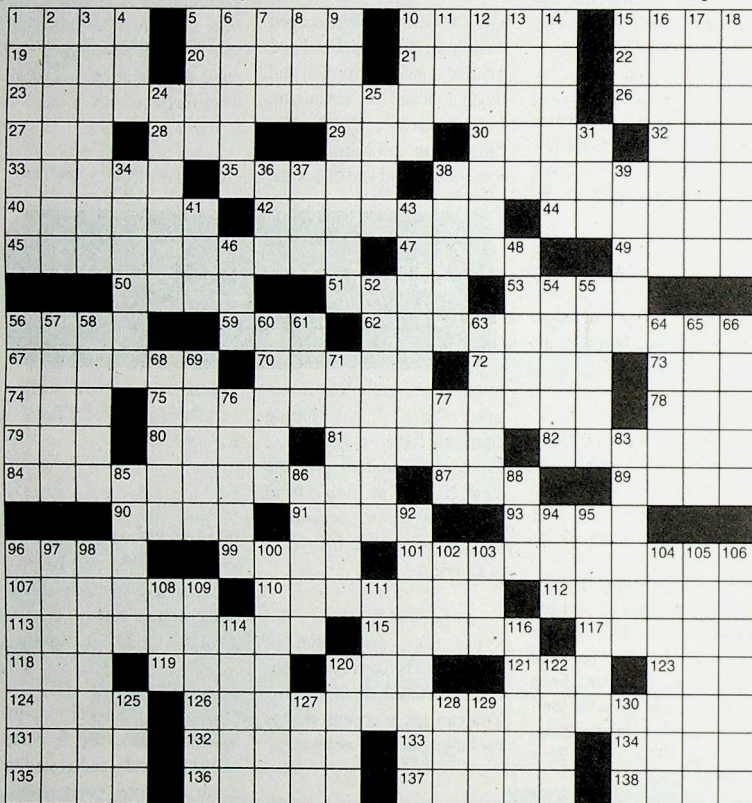
- 1 Big trucks
- 5 "Serial" podcast host
- 8 Koenig
- 10 Brothers Wyatt, Virgil and Morgan
- 15 Like GI garb, often
- 19 Woeful things
- 20 Bingham of "Baywatch"
- 21 Slobber
- 22 Nivea rival
- 23 Outfit
- 26 Lasses
- 27 All upset, with "up"
- 28 "... flaw — feature?"
- 29 Actor Knotts
- 30 Wrung (out)
- 32 Deli classic
- 33 Bother a lot
- 35 Frank of rock
- 38 Outward display of courage
- 40 Attachable with a click
- 42 Hits, as a fly
- 44 Fill with love
- 45 "The X Factor," e.g.
- 47 Congeal
- 49 Short sleeps
- 50 Diane once of NPR
- 51 Gentlemen
- 53 Breather
- 56 Apple option
- 59 Cow sound
- 62 Primer for a wall, e.g.
- 67 Names anew
- 70 Outdoor enclosure for a tabby
- 72 Abundant
- 73 Cow sound
- 74 Despot Amin
- 75 It's often played during a massage
- 78 "Let us spray," e.g.
- 79 Recognize
- 80 Central Asia's — Sea
- 81 Honking birds
- 82 Old Jewish
- 84 Snootiness
- 87 Cur's warning
- 89 Snake's warning
- 90 Not bogus
- 91 Small plateau
- 93 Give relief to
- 96 Choir female
- 99 Responses to massages
- 101 Something revealed by a scale
- 107 Fly without a co-pilot, e.g.
- 110 Like a famed Vatican chapel
- 112 Roll around in mud or dust
- 113 Mascara, e.g.

DOWN

- 115 Writer Calvino
- 117 Ethiopia's — Selassie
- 118 Ovid's lang.
- 119 Tubers often candied
- 120 Engine speed meas.
- 121 By way of
- 123 Tattooist's supply
- 124 Otherwise
- 126 What eight answers in this puzzle might say if they could talk?
- 131 Increase, with "up"
- 132 Internet sales
- 133 Increase, with "up"
- 134 Villain in "The Avengers"
- 135 609-homer Sammy
- 136 AC — (big name in auto parts)
- 137 Promotes heavily
- 138 Leg joint

ACROSS

- 3 Pertaining to an opening of the larynx
- 4 Former jet to JFK
- 5 Mix, as batter
- 6 Desi of Desilu Studios
- 7 Sleazy paper
- 8 King topper
- 9 Furry feet in back
- 10 Biblical utopia
- 11 Shirt part
- 12 Clemente of baseball
- 13 Oompah band genre
- 14 Shirt part
- 15 Tooth on a gearwheel
- 16 A Gulf state
- 17 Patroller around a food court
- 18 Bivalve mollusks
- 24 Sweltering summer day
- 25 Ivory, e.g.
- 31 Lion's hideout
- 34 Fast glance
- 36 Burnt residue
- 37 Gp. once led by Arafat
- 38 Raft wood
- 39 Soda brand
- 41 Utmost
- 43 Dickens' miser
- 46 Opposite of lge.
- 48 Three, to Fifi
- 52 Slippery road condition
- 54 "The Hunger Games" escort
- 55 Blueprint data, in brief
- 56 From Dublin or Cork
- 57 Jason's wife, in myth
- 58 "Ta-tal," in Tours
- 60 Central Florida city
- 61 Crayon stuff
- 63 Less of a lie
- 64 Louvre Pyramid
- 65 Adjectives modify them
- 66 Message-leavers' cues
- 68 Astronomer Tycho — Harrison's moniker)
- 69 Mattress architect
- 71 Fierce female feline
- 76 1972 Eric Clapton hit
- 77 Chinese menu letters
- 83 Aussie girl
- 85 Newlywed. man
- 86 "Got it, man"
- 88 San Luis —
- 92 Slightly excessive
- 94 "How cute!"
- 95 Ugly foe of Popeye
- 96 Neverending
- 97 Not deserting
- 98 Frightful flies
- 100 Like always
- 102 "Ode — Grecian Urn"
- 103 Costa — Sol
- 104 Use as a skating surface
- 105 Mount — College (Elaine Chao's alma mater)
- 106 12-year-old kid, say
- 108 Set in place
- 109 Gave the nod
- 111 — City (Ohio town named for William Henry Harrison's moniker)
- 114 Theatricalize
- 116 Like sheep
- 120 Move, to a Realtor
- 122 Tattooist's supplies
- 125 Green org.
- 127 Ocacek of The Cars
- 128 Endeavor
- 129 Spying setup
- 130 Big name in civ. rights



celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Q: I miss watching "This Is Us" and wish it would have had at least one more season. What other shows has the person who wrote it done? — K.J.

A: "This Is Us," the heart-wrenching drama series about the lives of siblings spanning across several decades, was created by Dan Fogelman, who first got his start in animated films. He's credited with writing the screenplay for "Cars," "Bolt" and "Tangled," but it was the critically acclaimed film "Crazy, Stupid, Love," starring two-time Oscar winner Emma Stone ("Poor Things"), that showed audiences he had a gift for dialogue.

Fogelman's first series was the short-lived ABC comedy "The Neighbors," starring Jami Gertz ("Still Standing"). He followed that with several other shows that were canceled after one season ("Galavant," "Grandfathered" and "Pitch"). He struck gold in 2016 when "This Is Us" premiered on NBC, averaging 14 million viewers in its first season. Not since "ER" and "Grey's Anatomy" did a network television show become the topic of discussion the next day at work. Expectations are high for Fo-

gelman's next project, "Paradise City." The upcoming series is described as a thriller and stars "This Is Us" alum Sterling K. Brown, James Marsden ("Jury Duty") and Julianne Nicholson ("Mare of Easttown"). Hulu has picked up the series, which started production this past February. Brown, who plays the head of security for a former president in the new series, notes that this character will be quite different than his "This Is Us" character, Randall.



Sterling K. Brown (Upcoming in Dan Fogelman's "Paradise City")

Photo:

Depositphotos

Q: When is the show "Evil" returning? Is it only on Paramount+? — D.A.

A: The upcoming fourth and final season of "Evil" will air exclusively on the Paramount+ streaming service, beginning May 23. Fortunately, there will be 14 episodes, which will roll out weekly and air throughout the summer.

In the trailer for the new season, Ben (Aasif Mandvi) states, "We've already hunted werewolves and demons. Are we now hunting witches?" Another plotline is said to involve the birth of the anti-christ. Katja Herbers, Mike Colter and Christine Lahti are all said to be returning for the final run.

Q: When is Pat Sajak's last episode as the host of "Wheel of Fortune"? Will Ryan Seacrest be taking over immediately? — J.J.

A: Pat Sajak, the longtime host of the iconic game show

"Wheel of Fortune," announced that season 41 would be his last. The season premiered this past September and will conclude on June 7, making that night the last time you'll see Sajak spinning the wheel.

Ryan Seacrest will take over hosting duties when the new season premieres, which will most likely be in September of this year. However, Sajak will remain with the show behind the scenes as a consultant for three additional years, and Vanna White has inked a deal to continue her letter-turning duties at least through 2026.

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

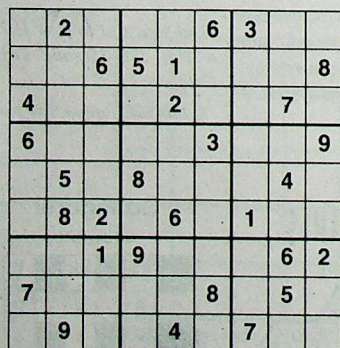
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Jab with a fork — — — — C — Nobel winner Curie — — — — R —
2. Snap into — R — — — Dreary — — — — L — — —
3. Drying cloth — — — — L — Pisa sight — — — — R —
4. Every 24 hours — A — — — Lacy mat — — — — O — — —
5. Gorge — — — — Y — — Big gun — — — — N — — —
6. Salt S — — — — Speaker's platform P — — — —
7. Investigate — — — — B — Writing style — — — — S —
8. More rapidly — — — — S — — Hesitate, fumble — — — — L — — —
9. Coarse — — — — H — Baton — — — — E —
10. City of Light — — — — I — Hair divisions — — — — T —

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

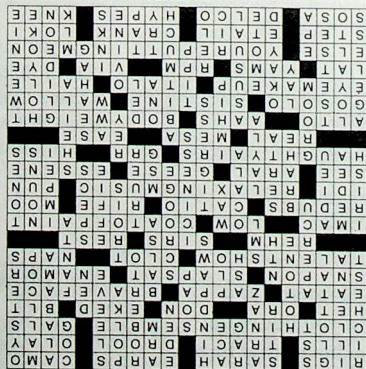
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

Answers



Even Exchange answers

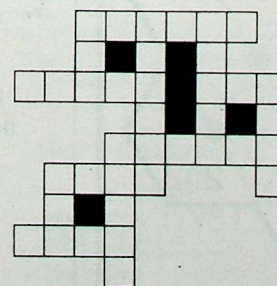
1. Pierce, Pierre
2. Break, Bleak
3. Towel, Tower
4. Daily, Dolly
5. Canyon, Cannon
6. Sodium, Podium
7. Probe, Prose
8. Faster, Falter
9. Rough, Rouge
10. Parts, Parts

FEAR & KNOT

By: rj Johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

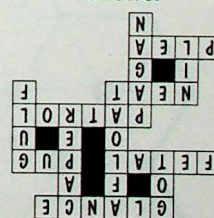
- GPU
- CALGEN
- AFTLE
- ♥APLE
- ♥TOPLAR
- ILN
- LGFU
- ♥EPCRA
- ♥GTO
- FATOLA
- AGPNA
- ♥ETAN



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

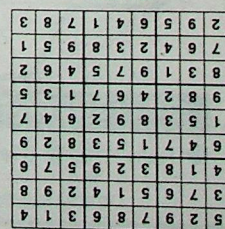
FEAR & KNOT

answer



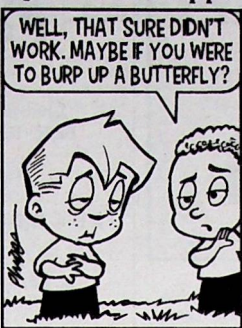
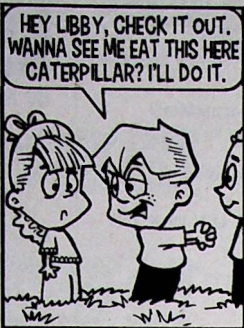
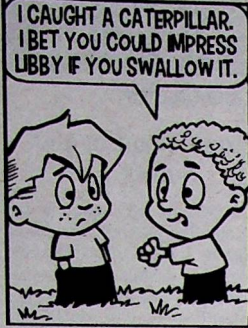
Weekly SUDOKU

Answer



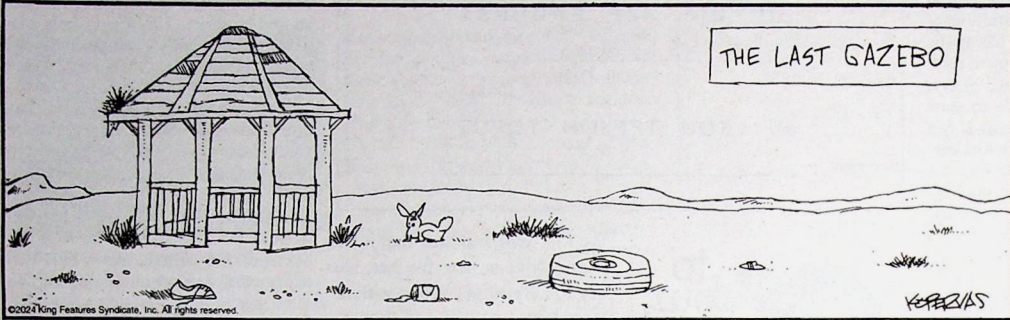
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Amber Waves



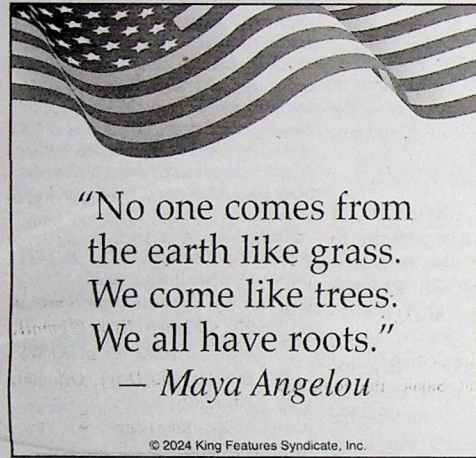
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Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas

Americanisms



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Just Like Cats & Dogs

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When Tick Removal Goes Wrong

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: After taking my Terrier "Hank" for a walk around my subdivision yesterday, I noticed when taking off his leash that a tick had attached itself to the back of his neck! I don't even know where it came from; we stayed on the sidewalk. I quickly tried to remove it with tweezers, but Hank is kind of a wiggly guy, and just as I tugged on the tick, he moved and the body of the tick broke off! It looks like the tick's head is still embedded in his skin. What can I do? Will this hurt Hank? — Joe K. in Sarasota Springs, New York

DEAR JOE: Since the tick's body was removed, and you noticed it pretty quickly, Hank's risk of contracting a tick-borne illness is low.

However, an infection might develop where the tick's head is still embedded. Treat the bite spot with an over-the-counter antibiotic ointment. Monitor the spot for a few days. There may be a little redness around the bite area as the skin reacts to the foreign object, and with luck, the head may be pushed out enough for you to grab it with the tweezers and remove. When should you contact Hank's veterinarian? If you aren't able to remove the tick head after a few days, it's time to make an appointment with the vet. Or, if the redness spreads or if Hank seems distressed, lethargic or otherwise out of sorts, get him to the vet right away. Removing a tick as soon as it's found is important, because even though dogs can be vaccinated against Lyme Disease, other tick-borne diseases can be transmitted to your pet. Ticks are becoming active earlier in the year, so consider starting flea and tick prevention earlier, too.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from VOGUE to SOLVE in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

VOGUE

SOLVE

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Erupt TRUBS
Associate BENGOL
Odd DIWER
Startle ACRES

TODAY'S WORD



"Please explain to her that a fresh start does NOT mean a new _____!"

Micro Crossword

By Elizabeth C. Gorski

- Across
1 "Queen ____" (OWN series created by Ava DuVernay)
6 Belly button type
7 City on Biscayne Bay
8 Time and again
9 "The Big Board," briefly

1	2	3	4	5
6				
7				
8				
9				

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Down

- 1 "Start with Why" author Sinek
2 Amalgamate
3 Bitty biters

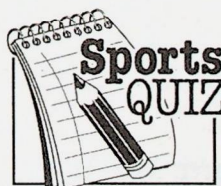
- 4 "Save Me" singer Mann
5 Free ____ (no restrictions)

STREAMING SOURCE

Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of April 22, 2024

- ON NOW: "Orlando Bloom: To the Edge" (Season 1) — Peacock
ON NOW: "Bray Wyatt: Becoming Immortal" (Documentary) — Peacock
22-April: "Tiger" (PG) — Disney+
22-April: "Hip-Hop and the White House" (Documentary) — Hulu
23-April: "Anyone But You" (R) — Netflix
23-April: "The Big Door Prize" (Season 2) — AppleTV+
25-April: "Dead Boy Detectives" (Season 1) — Netflix
25-April: "THEM: The Scare" (Season 2) — Prime Video
26-April: "We're Here" (Season 4) — Max
26-April: "Thank You, Goodnight: The Bon Jovi Story" (Documentary) — Hulu

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by Ryan A. Berenz

1. In 2002, first baseman Hee-seop Choi became the first Korean-born position player in Major League Baseball when he debuted with what team?
2. Australia's Vern Schuppan won what prestigious sportscar endurance race in 1983?
3. Six days after winning the 1997 Stanley Cup championship, what Detroit Red Wings defenseman's hockey career was ended by injuries sustained in a limousine crash?
4. What Southern Miss Golden Eagles running back was named Offensive MVP of the 2024 East-West Shrine Bowl? (Hint: His father played running back for 16 NFL seasons.)

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5. What team selected Notre Dame quarterback Rick Mirer with the second overall pick in the 1993 NFL Draft?

6. Kenyon Martin, the New Jersey Nets' No. 1 pick in the 2000 NBA Draft, played for what college basketball team?

7. Heisman Trophy winner Jameis Winston was cited in 2014 for shoplifting \$32 worth of what seafoods from a Tallahassee, Florida, grocery store?

Answers

1. The Chicago Cubs.
2. The 24 Hours of Le Mans.
3. Vladimir Konstantinov.
4. Frank Gore Jr.
5. The Seattle Seahawks.
6. The University of Cincinnati Bearcats.
7. Crab legs and crawfish.

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WORD LADDER

Answer
VALVE, SALVE, SOLVE, VOGUE, VAGUE, VALUE,

SCRAMBLERS

solution
WARDROBE
Today's Word
3. Weird; 4. Scare
1. Burst; 2. Belong;

Micro Crossword

S	E	S	N
N	E	T	O
I	A	M	I
E	N	I	N
A	R	S	U

MORE SUN FUN

COUCH THEATER

BY
DEMI
TAVERAS

"The Sympathizer" (TV-MA) — Based on the novel of the same name by Viet Thanh Nguyen, which won a Pulitzer Prize, this seven-episode miniseries tells the story of a North Vietnam spy in the South Vietnam army during the Vietnam War. This spy, called the Captain (Hoa Xuande), is forced to flee with his general to the United States near the end of the war. Now living among a community of South Vietnamese refugees, the Captain continues to act as a spy against them and report back to Viet Cong. With so many loyalties pulling him every which way, the Captain finds himself at a crossroads, unsure which of his alliances are the most true. Sandra Oh and recent Academy Award winner Robert Downey Jr. co-star in the series. The first episode is out now, with new episodes every Sunday. (Max)

"Under the Bridge" (TV-MA) — Another miniseries that releases on streaming this week is a true-crime drama starring Riley Keough ("Daisy Jones & the Six") and Lily Gladstone ("Killers of the Flower Moon"). Keough portrays writer Rebecca Godfrey, who hears about the death of a 14-year-old girl named Reena Virk (Vritika Gupta). Reena supposedly joined her friends at a party but never returned home, leaving the local police at a loss as to how she died. Determined to write a novel about Reena, Rebecca works tirelessly alongside police officer Cam Bentland (Gladstone) to see if they can connect the dots about what happened under the bridge. The first two episodes premiere April 17, with new episodes every Wednesday. (Hulu)

"Night Swim" (PG-13) — So far in 2024, it's been a quiet year for horror movies, but if there's anyone who

always has something spooky cooking up his sleeve, it's producer Jason Blum from Blumhouse Productions. His latest film follows a family of four called the Wallers, who happen upon the perfect new home for their household. Since the father, Ray, has an illness that can be improved upon with the swimming pool the home offers, the Wallers quickly decide to purchase the house. However, as Ray's illness starts to go into remission, certain oddities begin to occur, like his kids getting attacked in the pool by some strange phenomenon and their cat going missing. Soon, the Wallers come to realize that their residence has a sinister history that is about to repeat itself. Out now. (Peacock)



Courtesy of MovieStillsDB

Wyatt Russell, left, and Kerry Condon star in "Night Swim."

In Case You Missed It

"Bob Marley: One Love" (PG-13) — Kingsley Ben-Adir takes on the role of reggae legend Bob Marley in this biopic out now to rent! Taking place from the mid-1970s through the 1980s, the film walks viewers through the struggles that Marley had to overcome to bring his musical vision to life. From assassination attempts on his life to leaving Jamaica for his protection, Marley undergoes many trials and tribulations just because he chooses to take a stand for peace. His story is undoubtedly remarkable, and with his family producing the film, it was told in a way that commands respect. But the film still felt standard overall, missing certain visual and cinematic elements that could have propelled it to a different level. (Apple TV+)

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Contract Bridge

A VERY SOPHISTICATED PLAY

South dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ K 10 9
♥ 4 2
♦ Q J 10 9 2
♣ A Q J

WEST

♠ 8 6 5 2
♥ 5 3
♦ K 8
♣ 7 6 4 3 2

EAST

♠ 7 4 3
♥ K Q J 9 8
♦ A 7 4
♣ 8 5

SOUTH

♠ A Q J
♥ A 10 7 6
♦ 6 5 3
♣ K 10 9

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♦	1 ♥
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	

Opening lead — five of hearts.

It is said that there's no such thing as inventing a new play in bridge. And, taking into account the billions of hands that have been played through the years, this is probably true. Even so, every once in a while someone seems to come up with something that has not been seen before.

Consider this deal where West leads a heart against three notrump. Declarer ducks East's jack of hearts and wins

East's king continuation with the ace. South now leads a diamond, and it does not matter how East-West elect to defend. The best they can do is to score two heart tricks and the A-K of diamonds to hold declarer to nine tricks.

This scenario seems altogether normal, and it appears that South must make the contract, come what may. However, three notrump can be defeated if East does something very unusual. All he has to do is to play the eight of hearts instead of the jack at trick one! This might look very peculiar, but it has a dramatic effect on the outcome, since South can no longer make the contract.

Declarer is forced to win the eight of hearts with the ten. Whenever he leads a diamond, West wins with the king and returns a heart. South can take the ace of hearts whenever he pleases, but he cannot score more than eight tricks.

East's play of the eight of hearts is not, strictly speaking, a brand-new play in bridge, since there are variations of it that arise under many different circumstances. But it is the right thing to do here, because East's only real chance of stopping the contract is to find his partner with the king of diamonds.

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CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

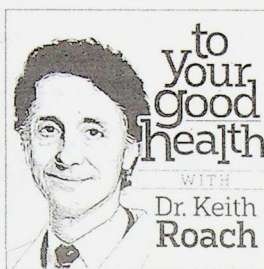
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

X I Z E J E U I F E B M N B U J B O H P

U P U I F F Z F E P D U P S ?

J U L F Q U T F F J O H T Q P U T .

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Vocal Cord Becomes Paralyzed After A Cold

DEAR DR. ROACH: My daughter, 45, has had a paralyzed left vocal cord for about a year now. We have been to an ear, nose and throat (ENT) doctor who ran at least a half dozen tests, including several scans. These didn't show a reason for the problem, and everything else appeared to be normal. She had a cold before this happened, and we were treating her for a lingering sore throat.

The doctor has told us that there is nothing to be done to unfreeze the vocal cord. I would love your opinion on this matter, as she has a lot of pain associated with it, and she coughs trying to get out what feels stuck in there -- K.P.

ANSWER: Paralysis of the vocal cord is often the result of damage to the nerve that leads to the vocal cord; there's one on each side. The left side is particularly vulnerable and may be damaged during surgery (especially thyroid surgery), but a big fear is that a mass (especially a cancerous one) can damage the nerve and cause paralysis of the vocal cord. This is why her doctor did a CT scan.

There are other less-common causes, such as nerve damage from other occurrences (stroke and multiple sclerosis); inflammatory diseases (lupus and others); and infections (such as Lyme disease). It sounds like the ENT doctor looked for other possibilities such as these. (But if not, then it should be done.)

When a cause can't be found, we call it "idiopathic unilateral vocal cord paralysis." This often seems to happen after a viral infection, and it sounds like your daughter might have had one. Many people with this condition get better by themselves during

the first year, but now that it has been about a year for her, she isn't likely to get better without treatment.

I am not an expert in treatment, but ENT surgeons have several types of surgical interventions to improve hoarseness, cough and discomfort. It's time to go back to her ENT doctor or get referred to an expert in the surgical treatment of this condition.

DEAR DR. ROACH: If exercise helps new arteries to grow, would it also help new veins to grow and alleviate varicose veins? -- M.D.

ANSWER: It's a good thought, but unfortunately, exercise does not make the body grow new arteries, which are the large blood vessels that bring oxygen-rich blood to our organs and muscles. Exercise increases the size of the arteries and can help keep them from getting stiffer with age. Exercise in combination with a good diet can also help keep them from getting blocked.

In addition, exercise can help with varicose veins, but once again, it isn't because the body grows new veins. Varicose veins are dilated veins that occur due to damage in the tiny valves inside the veins. Without those valves, the venous blood can pool under the effects of gravity, causing the veins to swell.

Exercise helps because of the pump effect of the intermittent muscle contraction, which forces blood back into the large veins and ultimately back into the heart. Exercise, compression stockings and elevation are among the most important lifestyle changes for varicose veins.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Answer

Why did the Dalmatian go to the eye doctor?
It kept seeing spots.

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Spring Cleaning and Safety

It's time to begin my annual spring cleaning, and this year it's going to be a bit different. Instead of just sticking with the window cleaning, closet organizing and dryer vent vacuuming type of activities, I'm going to concentrate on safety.

Grab bar in the shower: I'm going to bite the bullet and admit I probably should have one. I'll hire a handyman to make sure it's done right with the screws put into the studs so it won't come out.

New batteries in the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors: While the handyman is here, I'll have him install them because, yes, I've given up ladders.

Small rug: The little rug I have in front of the kitchen sink has to go. It has a curled corner, and while I've managed not to trip on it, I need to remove it.

The pantry: After stocking up on extra items for the last few years because of the COVID pandemic, it's time to be sure I didn't let any items slip past their expiration date. I'll need to pull out every single thing and check the dates. This will include olive oil, spices, rice and all canned goods. In the laundry room this will include bleach, which can go stale and lose potency. (I'll need to look up the production codes to see when it was manufactured. After one year, it's probably degraded.)

Clutter: Yes, I've let certain things accumulate. I let myself get lazy over the winter about taking stacks of magazines to recycling (mostly because of the ice that always surrounds the recycling bins downtown). But they have to go.

Drugs: Expired drugs will need to go to the drop-off for disposal so they don't end up in a landfill.

Consider whether you want to add these ideas to your own spring cleaning list this year.

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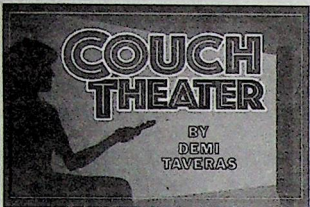
1. Which group had a hit with "Rock and Roll Is Here to Stay"?
2. How much did the Beatles earn for their appearances on "The Ed Sullivan Show" in 1964?
3. Which artist was literally a one-man band?
4. Who sang the theme song in the film "What's New Pussycat"?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I don't know what he does to make you cry. But I'll be there to make you smile."

Answers

1. Danny & the Juniors, in 1958. They were originally known as the Juvenaires, until DJ Dick Clark suggested a name change.
2. They earned \$2,400 for each of three performances. That's worth about \$24,000 today.
3. Trent Reznor. He could play all the instruments but would temporarily hire other musicians while on tour to play with him under the name Nine Inch Nails. He must be doing something right because he's netted 13 Grammy nominations.
4. Tom Jones, in 1965. It was nominated for an Academy Award in 1966 for Best Original Song.
5. "All I Have to Give," by the Backstreet Boys in 1998. The song reached Top Ten charts around the globe, topping charts in Spain, Hungary and Zimbabwe, of all places. It only reached No. 5 in the U.S.

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MORE SUN FUN



"The Zone of Interest" (PG-13) — After taking home Best International Feature Film and Best Sound at this year's Oscars, Jonathan Glazer's historical drama is out now on streaming for viewers to watch at home. Taking place in 1943 during World War II, the film follows commandant Rudolf Hoss and his family, who live alongside the Auschwitz concentration camp in Poland. While the Hosses enjoy their tranquil life in their beautiful home, the sound of furnaces and gunshots can be heard just beyond their garden wall, and camp prisoners tend to their household chores. Christian Friedel ("Babylon Berlin") and Sandra Huller ("Anatomy of a Fall") lead this chilling film. (Max)

"Sugar" (TV-MA) — In this new mystery-drama series, Irish actor Colin Farrell ("The Banshees of Inisherin") dons an American accent to become John Sugar, a private investigator in Los Angeles. Known for his razor-sharp instincts, great sense of style and blue Corvette, Sugar gets put on a case regarding the disappearance of Olivia Siegel, the granddaughter of a Hollywood producer. But when Sugar starts inching his way closer to the truth of Olivia's disappearance, more and more people try to throw him off the case. The first two episodes are out now, with subsequent episodes releasing every Friday. (Apple TV+)

"Fallout" (TV-MA) — Based on the role-playing video game of the same name, this apocalyptic drama series takes place 219 years after nuclear

technology destroyed what we know as Earth. The war led humans to take shelter in underground bunkers known as "Vaults" in order to survive. But a Vault dweller named Lucy finally decides to leave her bunker to find out what the world has come to in the past two centuries. Finding herself in a post-apocalyptic version of Los Angeles, Lucy encounters mutants, bandits and all kinds of destructive technology in the remnants of our old world. Ella Purnell ("Star Trek: Prodigy") and Walton Goggins ("Invisible") lead this action-packed, eight-episode series premiering April 11. (Amazon Prime Video)



Courtesy of Apple TV+
Kirby Howell-Baptiste, left, and Colin Farrell star in "Sugar."

"Vanderpump Villa" (TV-MA) — Lisa Vanderpump couldn't get enough of the smashing success of her show "Vanderpump Rules," which took the internet by storm last summer when the show was rocked with a cheating scandal called "Scandal." The British restaurateur has decided to start a new unscripted show, which follows her carefully picked staff at the Chateau Rosabelle in France. The staff work in varied positions, like chefs, servers, housekeepers and mixologists, and get the ultimate experience by enjoying everything the French countryside has to offer. Don't think that just because they're in a luxury villa, there won't be any drama — if anything, Vanderpump truly thrives off it! The first four episodes are out now. (Hulu)

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Contract Bridge

SLOW — DANGER AHEAD

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ A K 5
♥ 8 7 6 5
♦ K J
♣ Q 8 7 6

WEST
♠ 2
♥ K 10 9
♦ 8 6 5 4 3
♣ A K 10 2

EAST
♠ 8 6 3
♥ 3
♦ A Q 9 7 2
♣ J 9 5 4

SOUTH
♠ Q J 10 9 7 4
♥ A Q J 4 2
♦ 10
♣ 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass
2 ♥ Pass 4 ♥
Opening lead — king of clubs.

Some plays in bridge are not seen very often, largely because the opportunity to use them is relatively rare. But when they arise, they can spell the difference between success and failure, so the conscientious player must continuously be on the lookout for them.

Take this case from a team-of-four match. At both tables South got to four

hearts and West led the king of clubs. This was followed at each table by a spade shift at trick two.

At the first table, declarer won the spade with dummy's king and, in an attempt to reduce the possibility of a spade ruff, led a heart to the ace and continued with the jack.

This approach failed to produce the desired result when West took the jack with the king and shifted to a diamond. Declarer put up dummy's king, but East won with the ace and returned a spade, ruffed by West, so the contract went down one.

At the second table, West's spade shift at trick two was also taken in dummy, but South found a superior line of play that enabled him to make the contract. At trick three, he led the queen of clubs from dummy and, after East followed low, discarded the ten of diamonds!

West took the queen with the ace and switched to a diamond, but the bird had by this time flown the coop. South ruffed, played the ace and queen of hearts and easily scored the rest of the tricks. He had executed a "scissors coup" — a play designed to cut communications between the defenders in order to defuse an impending threat.

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by Steve Becker

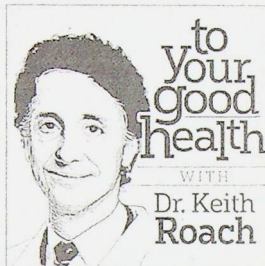
Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH — CRAYON CHOICES

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **Why did the crayon cry?**

ALMOND	H	C	A	E	P	I	G	C	Y	P
BLACK	T	D	T	S	F	B	R	E	E	U
BLUSH	A	E	E	O	G	R	E	R	L	R
BROWN	L	E	L	R	E	O	I	I	L	P
CERISE	M	M	E	O	D	W	G	S	O	L
EMERALD	O	E	L	T	I	N	E	E	W	E
FERN	N	R	B	N	H	V	Y	Y	L	T
GOLD	D	A	K	K	C	A	L	B	U	I
GRAY	D	L	O	G	R	B	L	U	S	H
GREEN	E	D	E	G	O	F	E	R	N	W
GREIGE										
ORCHID										
PEACH										
PERIWINKLE										
PURPLE										
RED										
ROSE										
RUBY										
VIOLET										
WHITE										
YELLOW										

Riddle answer: _____



Constant Aleve and Ibuprofen Consumption Can Cause Damage

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband, age 70, had been diagnosed with osteoarthritis in his neck, for which he would take Aleve to relieve his discomfort when needed. Just before Christmas last year, his back began hurting so much that he went to his doctor, who said to get up and move more. (We have always exercised and remained active in life, but he did slow down due to his pain.)

My husband then added ibuprofen to the Aleve he was already using. His doctor said that the pain is due to osteoarthritis in his mid-back area. Apparently, there is nothing to do for it but take Extra Strength Tylenol at the recommended dose. Ibuprofen or Aleve isn't recommended because it causes liver and kidney damage. So, we bought Tylenol, and he used this medication instead of his usual. But his pain only got worse.

So, this morning, he switched back to Aleve and ibuprofen. It is what helped before and is helping again now. In addition, he is using a drug-free Aleve Direct Therapy pad that uses waveform technology. He also uses Icy Hot pain relief cream and a heating pad. These reduce his pain, but his back continues to hurt since before the holidays.

Our question is, should he use Aleve and ibuprofen instead of the Tylenol that doesn't seem to help? He has actually used Aleve for a very long time. He just had his blood tested, and the doctor said his liver and kidneys are good. Is there anything more we can do to relieve his osteoarthritis pain? It is hard to see my husband in so much discomfort when he was previously a very active, pain-free man? -- S.F.A.

ANSWER: Osteoarthritis in

the neck is a common and painful condition, and there are not always good treatment options. In terms of medicine, anti-inflammatory medicines, like Aleve or ibuprofen (Advil and many other brands), can be very helpful for some people.

However, taking both doesn't improve pain relief. It does increase the risk of toxicity, so he should never take two anti-inflammatory medicines -- choose just one. Tylenol helps some people, but in my experience, most people do better with anti-inflammatories instead of Tylenol. Tylenol does have a smaller risk of side effects.

In addition to liver and kidney problems, Aleve and similar medicines can cause stomach problems, ranging from mild upset to life-threatening ulcers; though, this is uncommon with over-the-counter doses. I often recommend a trial of Tylenol to see if it is as good as the anti-inflammatories. Since it's not for your husband, he should tell his doctor this, and it seems reasonable for him to go back to taking Aleve alone. However, I can't tell you to disregard his physician's advice. Some people benefit from Tylenol on top of Aleve.

Beyond pain medicines, the Aleve Direct Therapy pad uses electricity to relieve pain without medicine. It's fine to combine this therapy with medicines. Creams -- whether they are anti-inflammatory, menthol and camphor, or topical anesthetics -- provide some relief, but they tend to be better on the hands, wrists and knees than the neck. Though, they still may be worth trying in combination with medicines.

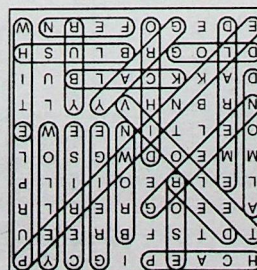
In more severe cases, injections can be used before considering surgery.

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Answer

It felt blue.

Riddle Answer:



SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

What Seniors Worry About

It's very helpful to have friends and acquaintances scattered across the country when I need to do another informal poll. This time my questions to them concerned what seniors worry about.

I got them started with a list of suggestions on a page, to be ranked in order, with a blank place under each one for comments, and space below for their own contributions.

And I wasn't surprised.

The number one concern was about money. Is there enough to last the rest of our life? Will grocery prices ever come down again? We're concerned about having to go back to work to keep from burning through our savings, running up medical bills, losing the house because of not being able to pay the mortgage and having the rent raised to an amount we can't pay.

Health was the second biggest concern, with loss of independence topping that list. We fear getting dementia, losing muscle strength, falling and breaking a limb, having to go into the hospital or rehab for an extended stay, catching COVID or a bad flu. This was a very long list with everyone adding comments.

Concerns about safety was surprisingly high in the rankings. We worry about crime on the streets, not being able to trust our financial advisers and that we might need to give up driving.

Other topics ranked lower, but they're concerns just the same. We worry about identity theft and not being able to recover from it if we lose money. Tied with that are concerns that we might not recognize scams. We worry about needing to ask others for help with things we used to be able to do.

But the one topic that garnered the most comments was loneliness. We fear losing all our friends when they die. We fear being the last one standing.

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1. Name the non-Beatle musician credited on "Get Back."
2. Which group released "Long Lonely Nights"?
3. Name the Vikki Carr worldwide hit that was a translation from the original French version.
4. Which group was the first to release "Walk Away Renee"?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I stood on this corner, waiting for you to come along. So my heart could feel satisfied."

Answers

1. Billy Preston, in 1969. The citation reads "The Beatles with Billy Preston." Preston also appeared in the "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" film in 1978.
2. Lee Andrews and the Hearts, in 1957. It was later covered by Clyde McPhatter, also in 1957.
3. "It Must Be Him," in 1967. The original was "Seul sur Son Étoile," which translates to "Alone on His Star." A dozen artists around the globe covered the song, with translations into several languages, including German and Lebanese.
4. The Left Banke, in 1966. The Four Tops followed with a cover in 1967.
5. "What's Your Name," by Don and Juan, in 1961. The song was used in the documentary "It Came from Hollywood" in 1982 and in the film "Siam" in 1998.

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QUINCY POLICE OFFICER John (Jay) Grazioso is sworn in to the rank of sergeant by City Clerk Nicole Crispo at a ceremony April 8 in the Great Hall of the James R. McIntyre Government Center (old City Hall).

Quincy Sun Photos/Robert Bosworth

QUINCY POLICE SGT. John (Jay) Grazioso shares a moment with his father, retired Quincy Police Officer John Grazioso after his promotion ceremony in the James R. McIntyre Government Center (old City Hall) April 8.

Jay Grazioso Promoted To Quincy Police Sergeant

By SCOTT JACKSON

With family, friends and scores of fellow police officers in attendance, the Quincy Police Department's newest sergeant was promoted during a City Hall ceremony.

John "Jay" Grazioso was promoted the afternoon of April 8 inside the Great Hall of McIntyre Government Center. City Clerk Nicole Crispo swore-in Grazioso during the ceremony and then Grazioso's wife, Samantha, and children Jack (age 12), Ryleigh (8) and Brooke (6) pinned him with his new badge.

Grazioso was originally hired as a police officer in September 2005. Grazioso's father, John, had served as the department's DARE officer for 22 years prior to his retirement in 2018.

Mayor Thomas Koch called the occasion a happy one for both the Grazioso family and the Police Department.

"I know the Grazioso family as well as the Quincy Police Department family are very happy today," Koch said. "Certainly, we're all thrilled for Jay. The police officer he's been and the person he's been, we're just so happy and thrilled for him."

The mayor added the he knew the new sergeant's father was "extra proud today to see his son move up through the ranks" and wished him well in retirement.

Police Chief Mark Kennedy said Grazioso was a hard worker who even studied to become a sergeant while on vacation.

"It's probably about a year ago Jay and I had a conversation just talking about promotion and the way things were going for the future of the department and I think that kind of put



ALL SMILES for the Grazioso family after Quincy Police Officer John (Jay) Grazioso (fifth from left) was promoted to sergeant April 8. With him are (from left): his uncle Stephen; his father John, a retired Quincy police officer; his wife Samantha and children Ryleigh (age 8), Brooke (6) and Jack (12); his mother Lenore; and his aunt AnneMarie.

the full-court press on him to study a little bit," Kennedy said.

"I know it's not easy to leave a job that he absolutely loves to work the mid-night shift...It was a tough

sell, but he put in the work. I know during the summer he was going on vacation and I sent him a text kind of ribbing him a bit, you know, Bill Belichick, you don't take days off. Within about

20 seconds he sent me a picture from the airplane of him reading criminal law."

"Jay, congratulations," Kennedy added. "I know you're doing it for the family, and I know you're do-

ing it for this department and this city. On behalf of the city, thank you. And thank you Sam and Jack and Ryleigh and Brooke for supporting your dad through

this and your husband. We know we can't do it without our family.

"It's not easy to get promoted in this department, so this is a pretty cool day."



AMONG THOSE CONGRATULATING Sgt. John (Jay) Grazioso (fifth from right) at his promotion ceremony April 8 were friends and fellow officers of the Quincy Police Department.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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- Water main flushing is crucial to the overall maintenance of a distribution system and is an important practice to maintain high water quality, improve the carrying capacity of pipes, and ensure proper operation of distribution system components, such as hydrants and valves.
- Flushing the water mains also ensures that fire hydrants are operational and allows DPW staff to assess the available flow rate for firefighting purposes.
- A main flushing program is typically carried out by flushing fire hydrants in a sequential order and until the water runs clear.

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WHAT YOU MIGHT EXPERIENCE

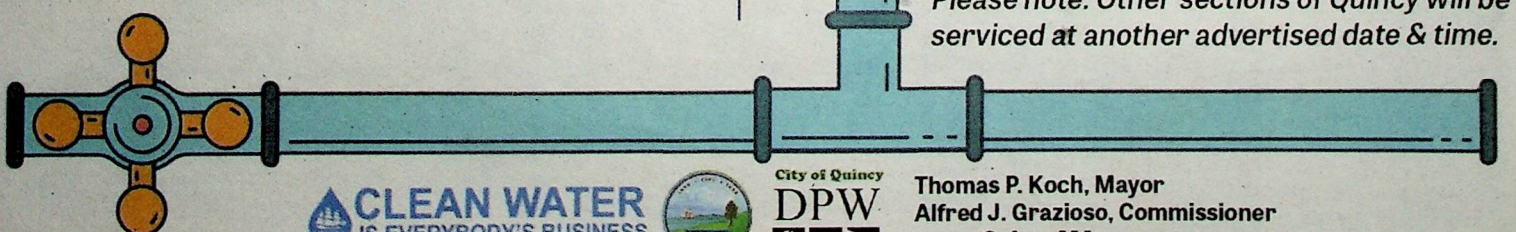
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